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Teachers' Salaries Are Too Low

P.T.A. Council Urges Upward Revision of Local Minimum Wage

The salaries of teachers throughout our land are recognized as a national disgrace, says a statement of the Andover Council of Parent-Teacher Associations which has just been released. Here in Andover, they report, there seems to be a prevalent belief that our teachers are better paid than average, and that any large increase would be unjustified.

The council, which has conducted a survey of the local situation, presents its findings and conclusions as follows:

The salary schedule in Andover provides minimum and maximum salaries as follows: Superintendent, \$4800-\$6000; High school principals, \$3300-\$4500; directors (highly specialized, with responsibility beyond supervision), \$2800-\$4000; supervisor of their teachers, \$2550-\$3750; classroom teachers (with Master's degree), \$2300-\$3500; classroom teachers (with Bachelor's degree), \$2050-\$3220; classroom teachers (with Normal school diploma, No degree), \$1800-\$3000. This schedule requires of all teachers two years minimum previous teaching experience.

At first glance the salary schedule above appears to be quite rea-

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Students of the Senior class of Pynchard High school took over various town offices in observance of Good Government day last Friday and after assuming various posts were given first hand information concerning the duties of the different offices. Here, reading left to right, are Audrey Tompkins, Eric Halbach, Polly Black and Robert Mitchell, the four students chosen as selectmen, discussing this year's budget with Roy E. Hardy, chairman of the board of selectmen.

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Many New Names Now On Check List

Many new voters will be going to the polls in Andover for the first time next Monday when candidates for town offices are to be elected.

The new voters added to the roster during the various sessions held since the first of the year by the board of registrars, together with the numerous changes made through deaths, removals from town and other causes, leave the revised check list with the names of 6,823 persons who are qualified to vote election day.

The names of the new voters added to the list since January 1 are as follows:

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Says Action on Raise For Teachers Ill-Advised

Sub-committee of Taxpayers' Association, However, Would Treat All Town Employees Alike on the Bonus

The recent action of the teachers and the school committee on the proposed salary increase for teachers is ill-advised, a sub-committee of the Taxpayers' Association, appointed to study the school department budget, states in the report to the directors.

The sub-committee believes, however, that if the "cost of living" bonus is given to employees of other departments, the same bonus should be given to all employees of the school department.

The committee's report states:

The initial school department budget for 1948 prepared by the school committee requested an appropriation of \$268,279. This was \$1,148 greater than the 1947 budget. The budget gave evidence of careful thought and preparation, and showed a real desire to adjust expenditures to the financial means of the town. This budget was presented to the finance committee and to the Directors of the Taxpayers' Association and received full approval from each group.

After the budget had been thus submitted and approved, a committee representing the Teachers' association appeared before the school committee and requested a percentage increase of 15 percent in the salaries of all teachers. The school committee took this request under consideration and ended by voting to recommend an increase of 10 percent in the salaries of all teachers and a \$4.00 per week in-

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Boost In Tax Rate Seen By Fin. Com.

Proposals It Approves Exclude Salary Raises

The Andover Finance Committee has completed its examination of the town budget and has prepared its report which is now in the hands of the printer to be prepared in anticipation of the town meeting on March 8.

The committee has pointed out that the appropriations approved by them for the 1948 tax year amount to \$955,222.05 and that these appropriations exceed appropriations for 1947 by approximately \$52,000. It is pointed out further, that assuming that \$33 is a base as a tax rate which was the rate for 1947, this increase in appropriations if approved, would add \$2.80 to the tax rate.

The amounts do not include the teachers' salary increases recommended by the school committee nor do they take into account the effect upon the budget, should the town vote a 48-hour week for the firemen. It has been estimated that a 48-hour week would increase the cost of operating the fire department by, from \$22,000 to \$25,000 per annum. Neither is there included a cost of living bonus for the town employees, which it is understood may be recommended at the rate of \$4.00 a week.

The sum total of the three items here mentioned, namely, proposed teachers' salary increases, the added cost of the fire department for a 48-hour week and the cost of living bonus to the remainder of the town employees, would add another \$45,846 to the budget for this year. Using the same tax base of \$33 per thousand, this would increase the tax rate a further \$2.45 or a total increase of \$5.25.

Opposes Reducing Hours of Firemen

Citizens' Group Claims Proposal Offers No More Fire Protection

Citing the fact that if the firemen's referendum is passed it would have to hire eight more men for the fire department at an estimated cost of \$24,000 a year, an increase of \$1.50 on the tax rate, a newly-formed Citizens Non-Partisan committee of Andover has announced its opposition to the measure in an appeal to the voters to vote "No" on the question of reducing the hours of duty from 70 to 48 a week.

In presenting its opposition to the question in an announcement headed "A Two-Day Week for Andover Firemen?" the committee points out that for the additional cost there would be no additional fire protection, as the measure would not provide one more man for either duty shift than there is now to fight fires.

The committee further states that, out of every 10-day period, each fireman has three full 24-hour periods off duty and has six consecutive days of no day duty. During these six days, the committee claims, he has a good chance to sleep at night in beds furnished at the fire station.

In its study of the 48-hour week, the committee found that there is nothing in the proposal to prevent a fireman being in attendance at the fire station for 48 continuous hours and be free the remaining five days of the week. Such a proposal has been made elsewhere by

firemen after securing the reduced hours. During the continuous 48-hour period, they say, the nights may be spent in sleeping, unless there are alarms.

Firemen now get two weeks paid vacations, three weeks paid sick leave, pensions and permanency of jobs. The proposed measure, the announcement shows, would not give the men any more wages.

Firemen Present Case For 48 Hours

State Why They Ask Shorter Work Week

Reasons why the firemen are asking for a reduction in their present hours of duty from 70 to 48 per week are contained in a statement released by the campaign committee.

In presenting their case to the voters the committee says:

The committee in charge of the 48-hour campaign would like to offer some pertinent information concerning their efforts to obtain a 48-hour work week which will appear on this coming Monday's election ballot as a referendum.

Under the present conditions the firemen are on duty 70 hours a week. During emergencies, the declaration of which is solely in the judgement of the head of the fire department, they are subject to recall for extra duty until existing emergency is declared over, without any compensation or day off.

An example of this condition occurred during this past winter a few times when the firemen were called back to duty and had to put in up to 90 hours for the same compensation as a regular week of 70 hours calls for. The fire department is the only department in town that is required to be on duty more than 48 hours in one week of regular operations. It is also the only department that receives no overtime pay for work performed after regular working hours.

The 48-hour week if voted in favor of the firemen will provide

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Lively Interest In Town Election

Campaigns Expected To Bring Out Big Vote

Contests for four town offices, together with the referendum which the firemen are submitting to the voters for a reduction in their hours from 70 to 48 a week, have developed into lively campaigns which are expected to bring out a substantial number of voters at the town election next Monday.

Recent revision of the voting lists show that there are 6,823 persons qualified to vote, a number slightly less than that of a year ago. Polls will be open from 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.

Two of the contests, those for

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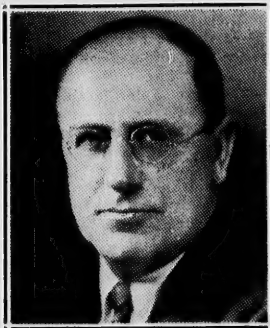
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Troop 70—South Church

The troop met in the Parish house with Harrison Brown and George Luedke, troop leaders, in charge on Friday evening, February 20. District Chairman Calvin Metcalf and District Commissioner Walter Caswell visited the troop in connection with the second annual Scout-o-rama and ice safety. Plans are being made for out-door activities in the spring and the summer.

Troop 71—Shawsheen P. T. A.

There will be no meeting of the troop on Monday, March 1. The next meeting of the troop will be Monday evening, March 8, at 7:00 p. m. Any Scouts who have tests they wish to pass in the next two weeks should contact Scoutmaster David Petrie or Junior Assistant Scoutmaster Jack Caswell.

Troop 72—Free Church

The troop met on Friday evening, February 20, under the lead-

ership of Assistant Scoutmaster David Cargill. Scouting skills and games were enjoyed and requirements in various tests were viewed by Troop Committeemen Merrill Burnett and Arthur Schwarzenberg. The scouts are preparing for the entertainment on Friday, February 27th, and tickets may be obtained from any member of the troop. District Commissioner Walter Caswell visited the troop.

Troop 76—Ballardvale

Troop 76 of Ballardvale is meeting regularly each Thursday in the scout room. Tests are being given, and each scout is working hard to pass the tests for advancement.

Pack 72, Free Church

Cubmaster John Carver announces that the next Pack meet-

ing will be held in the vestry on Wednesday evening, March 10, at 7 p. m. Several new boys are applying for membership. Cubmaster Carver is assisted by several veteran Den Chiefs who are Scouts in Troop 72. Among these veteran leaders are Den Chiefs Douglas Hart and Roger Dea. Jack Kelley assists as acting assistant cubmaster.

Annual Banquet

The 23rd annual Boy Scout banquet will be held in St. Mary's auditorium on Haverhill street, Lawrence, April 1 at 6:30 p. m. William F. Brandy, president of the North Essex Council, has appointed Francis J. O'Brien of North Andover as chairman. The chairman of the Andover district, Calvin Metcalf, members of the district committee, and unit leaders and committeemen are asked to attend a meeting in the Scout office, 31 Jackson street, Lawrence, March 1 at 7:30 p. m., to make plans for this great occasion.

Cub Display

The display of handicraft by Cub Pack 71, sponsored by the Shawsheen Parent Teacher Association, has been the source of much favorable comment. The display is made possible through the courtesy of the Balmoral Pharmacy, who donated a window for the purpose.

Annual Scout-o-rama

The second annual Scout-o-rama of the Andover district of the North-Essex Council will be held on March 27 in Case Memorial cage, Phillips Academy. The program as tentatively set up is as follows:

1. Exhibitions by Troops and Packs, active or fixed.
2. Knot Race—Six scouts, accuracy first, speed second. Square, bowline, sheet bend, clove, two half hitches, tautline hitch. All tied around or on a pole furnished by the troop. Six ropes brought by the troop, any kind, any size.
3. Signaling—Four scouts, accuracy first, speed secondary. Morse, 20 five-letter words; semaphore, 30 five-letter words. Troops to supply any type of flag.
4. First Aid—Five scouts and one patient. Five neckerchiefs or triangular bandages, speed wins, providing the bandages are satisfactory and the knots are correct. Arm, head, hand, knee and foot bandages.
5. Fire by flint and steel. Any number of entrants, but only one scoring place per troop. Any natural stone or any type of steel permitted, with charred cloth, hemp, cedar bark, or other natural material. No chemicals allowed.
6. Compass Card race. Eight scouts, eight cards which may be marked either North, Northeast, East, Southeast, Southwest, West, Northwest or by degrees. Accuracy first, and speed second.
7. Tug-of-War. Eight scouts, 30

Girl Scouts

Troop 19

Troop 19, Girl Scouts, are busily passing tests at their meetings on Wednesdays. Hand work is also being taught by the leader, Mrs. Arthur Weiss, and instruction in folk dances is given.

Final plans have been made for the party which the girls are giving in honor of the troop committee Friday evening at the home of the assistant leader, Mrs. George Forsythe.

The party is to be at 7:30, and a program has been planned and refreshments will be served by the girls. The committee includes Mrs. James Nicoll, Mrs. Robert Reed, George Forsythe and Randolph Perry.

Troop 27

The troop met February 18th in the Christ Church parish house. The girls got into their patrols, and went through their exercises with Roberta Johnson as leader. Elizabeth Hatton, troop treasurer, collected the dues. The meeting closed with the singing of "Oh Beautiful for Spacious Skies," played by Ann Merchant.

The troop met Wednesday, February 11, in the Christ church parish house. Dues were taken and a business meeting was held. It was decided the booth the girls are going to make for the Juliette Low World Friendship in Lawrence would be on "Nature." The booth is going to have a number of beautiful birds of all types, arranged among trees.

Ann Sanborn and Roberta Johnson received first class badges. The troop is proud of them, and of the

second pulls—no points. Eight cubs, 20 second pulls—no points. Elimination matches. Scoring for winner of meet from events 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6. First place counts 6, second place 4, third place 2, and fourth place 1. Teams must finish to get points even if only entrant.

Any registered scout below the rank of assistant scoutmaster may enter any or all events. Age limits are: Cub Scouts, 9 to 12; Boy Scouts, 12 to 18 years. Prizes and starting time will be announced later.

Pack 71—Shawsheen P. T. A.

Cub Pack 71 met in the Scout room of the school at 7:00 p. m. Tuesday evening, February 24. The meeting was in charge of District Commissioner Walter Caswell, who introduced Albert Carpenter, who will assist in the work of the Pack. The following badges were awarded to cubs who had qualified: Julian Baer, silver arrow; Richard Shaber, silver arrow; William Sullivan, gold arrow; Frank Killilea, gold arrow; John Killilea, bear badge; William Gens, gold and silver arrow; Tommy Pearl, gold arrow; Francis Henrick, lion badge and gold and silver arrow; Gerry Ryan, wolf, gold and silver arrow; Frank Quint, wolf badge; Denner award. Billy Gens; Assistant Denner, Bobby Banister; bob-cat pins to Robert Winters, Frank Dyer, and John Harding. Three-year service pin to Harold Whitworth; two-year service stars to Tommy Pearl, Billy Bird and Bobby Blomquist. One-year service pins are on order for the following cubs: Julian Baer, John Mitchell, Bobby Banister, Billy Gens, Henry Bellevue, Francis Henrick, George Henrick, John Killilea, and Alan Vaughn. Den Chiefs Walter Tomlinson, Jr., Emery LeTourneau, Peter Dunlap and David McCarthy were in charge of the four Dens of Cubs. G. Edgar Best assisted Den 1 in connection with their skit of the month. Den Mothers in the Packs are: Den 1, Mrs. G. Edgar Best; Den 2, Mrs. Eleanor M. Schaberg; Den 3, Mrs. George Henrick and Mrs. Raymond E. Pearl; Den 4, Mrs. Frank Killilea and Mrs. William Sullivan.

Cub Packs—Ballardvale P. T. A. Cubmaster Paul Payne plans to get the new Pack under way in the next few weeks. All boys nine years of age and not over 12 years of age who are interested in joining should notify their teachers and registration blanks will be provided for them to apply for membership.

others who have the honor of wearing a first class badge. Ruth Weamer received her second class badge.

Troop 23

Members of Troop 23 Girl Scouts of the Free church met at the home of Mrs. Merrill F. Burnett last Saturday afternoon and formed a Court of Honor composed of Janet Hulse, Ann Lancaster, Josephine Collins, Florence Golden, Gertrude Madden and Margaret Madden. The Court of Honor will meet on the first Saturday of each month to make plans for troop activities. At this meeting it was decided that the entire troop would work for the Hostess Stages, and in connection with this, a St. Patrick's Day party will be held.

The troop scribe is now Patricia O'Neil, and treasurer, Florence Golden. Marie Sullivan and Ann Lancaster have been appointed representatives to the meeting of the Juliette Low World Friendship Fund and will make a report at the next troop meeting.

Brownie News

Brownie Troop No. 43 met at the home of Mrs. John Wilson on Thursday. The girls opened their meeting by repeating the Brownie pledge in their circle. Paula Coates had charge of the attendance and dues. A story hour was enjoyed, and balloon toss and a donkey relay race were held. Members of the troop include Janet and Margaret Bouleau, Paula Coates, Darlene Rayne, Gail Goodwin, Carol Evans, Barbara Forsythe, Patricia Smalley, Betty Anne Gillis, Betty Anne Lunnello, Jane Hall, Norma Kibbee, Thelma Sparks, Beverly Sparks, Joyce-Lee Nason, Ann Perry and Joan Wilson.

Norma Kibbee served as hostess at the meeting. At the meeting this week the making of Easter bunnies will be the project.

Square & Compass Club To Hold "Sports Night"

The Andover Square and Compass Club is making arrangements for a "Sports Night" to be held Friday night, March 12, at the club rooms.

The committee in charge is planning to start the evening's festivities off with an oyster supper served at 6:30 o'clock, after which there will be a number of sports moves including the Louis Walcott fight, the 1947 World Series and sport highlights of 1947.

Any and all Masons in Andover are invited. Those who plan to attend are asked to notify Secretary James R. Mosher in advance.

ENROLLS IN NURSES' SCHOOL

Miss Ruth E. Stafford, daughter of Mrs. Susan L. Stafford of 6A Burnham road, has entered nurses training at the Melrose Hospital, Melrose, for a three year term. Miss Stafford attended Pynchard High school in Andover and graduated from the Essex County Agricultural school, majoring in home economics. She also attended Mader Valley Junior Union High school in Pleasanton, California. She served two years in the Waves, being discharged on June 25, 1947.

NEW CORPORATIONS

New corporations filed recently with the secretary of the commonwealth include the following from Andover:

Sealskin Gasket Co., off Railroad avenue, to manufacture, buy, sell and deal in gaskets, packing, etc., 1,000 common shares no par value. President, Edward J. White; treasurer, George J. Houghton; clerk, John J. Ryan, Jr.

Shawsheen Packing Co., off Railroad avenue, to buy, sell and trade in saturated paper, asbestos, cork, etc., 1,000 common shares no par value. President, Edward J. White; treasurer, J. Dalton Cahill; clerk, John J. Ryan, Jr.

Town Hall Activities

The meeting of the select was postponed this week on account of the holiday.

Town Clerk George H. Wilson has completed all arrangements for election day. Precinct officers been sworn in and are ready for their duties Monday.

Precinct wardens will report to the town clerk at 6 a. m. Monday morning to get the ballots, boxes and tally sheets. With precinct officers will proceed to the different voting places, where the officers remain on duty until the votes are counted.

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Rally Supper Planned For Red Cross Group

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On this occasion, a new Cross film will be shown, and publicity chairman for the chapter, Joseph Staples, will report briefly on the activities of the Red Cross in the forest fire of southern Maine.

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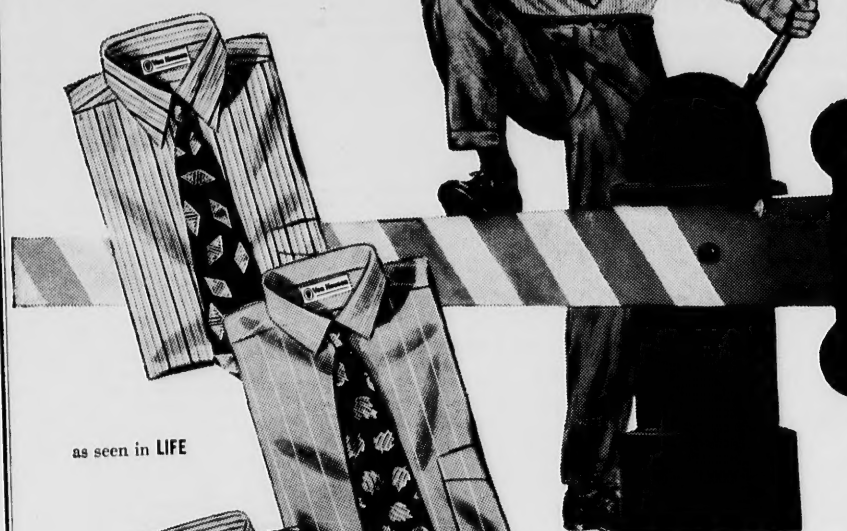
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LENTEN READING

Many of our readers have made it a part of their observation of the Lenten season to read one or more books on the "things of the spirit." Not all have confined their selections to books on the Church or the Bible. Sometimes poetry, thought-provoking essays, biographies of those who have had an influence for good in the world, or simple books of fiction have been chosen. Often it is an outline for Christian living as prepared by psychologists. Whatever the title borrowed, there is one common basis for its place on our Lenten shelf—it must offer some kind of comfort, bring some type of courage or peace, or point out a course by which the reader's life can be enriched.

Mary Pickford, the actress, published a little book back in 1934 called "Why Not Try God?" Her writing may not be profound or surprising to those whose lives have allowed them to accept a faith which they rarely need to question. But to this woman who knew the world's acclaim and the poverty of riches without peace of mind, the impact of the idea of turning to religion for courage for living seems to have been a mighty one. In the thirty-five pages of her book she humbly offers her discovery to others.

Dr. Henry C. Link wrote in his book "The Return To Religion" the best arguments possible for the inevitable swing back to spiritual living. He states very plainly that America's emphasis on the intellectual is ruinous to personality and therefore to social institutions. A former agnostic, Dr. Link found that as a psychologist he had treated or advised some four thousand individuals in a period of fifteen years, drawing almost constantly for the answers to their problems from accepted religious doctrine. His book is almost an autobiography of discovery and conviction.

There is a reasonable technique by which the problems of everyday living can be solved, accord-

ing to Dr. Dwight J. Bradley, whose book "Your Problem—Can It Be Solved?" is based on nearly twenty-five years of experience as pastor and consultant. He goes back to the psychological and spiritual roots of religion to supply the basis for his argument.

Several years ago a book came out called "The Go-Giver." It was sub-titled "An easier way of getting along in life," and in it the author, a salesman named Vash Young, put forth an often forgotten principle—that the full hand could receive no more, and that only in giving was the way opened to a larger getting. It is a book for professional people, married people, people pressed by fear of failure, young people—for everyone who needs only to be shown the way to give in order to find richer satisfaction.

Then there is a delightful little book, old and almost crisp, "The Little Flowers of St. Francis of Assisi." Fifty-two brief chapters, each taking but a moment to read, bring a charming picture of the strength and sweetness of one of the world's most beloved saints.

These are only a few; there are many other books on the shelf for the Lenten reader.

The discussion group for mothers is growing in popularity with every meeting of the "Littlest Listeners" story hours. All preschool and kindergarten age children are invited to attend these Wednesday morning picture-book story hours, held every other week, while their mothers meet in another group and talk over the things that they have discovered to be good methods in child care. Mrs. C. Edward Buchan leads the groups with a brief talk on some problem, such as the wise choice of toys, eating habits and various angles of early social behavior. The subject for discussion at the next meeting, March 3rd at 10 o'clock, will be "Children's Fears." All mothers are cordially invited to attend. If you wish further information, call Andover 314, and ask for Miss Lane.



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MARCH 1, 1948**

FACT: Out of every ten day period, each fireman has three full 24 hour periods off duty. He has six consecutive days of no day duty. During these six days, he has a good chance for sleep at night in beds furnished at the fire station.

FACT: Firemen Get Two Weeks Paid Vacations, Three Weeks Paid Sick Leave, Pensions and Permanency of Jobs.

FACT: There's Nothing in the Proposal To Prevent Firemen Being in Attendance at Fire Stations for a Continuous 48 Hours (in Which Nights May Be Spent Sleeping Unless There Are Alarms) and Be Free the Remaining Five Days of the Week. FIREMEN ELSEWHERE HAVE PROPOSED THIS AFTER SECURING THE 48 HOUR WEEK.

COST: This would not give any fireman more wages, BUT . . .

FACT: If This Referendum Is Passed, the Town Will Have To Hire an Additional Eight Firemen, Including Officers, at an Estimated Cost of \$24,000, or \$1.50 on the Tax Rate, Which Is Over One Half the Total Police Department Budget for 1948.

EFFICIENCY:

FACT: Although the Town Would Have To Add Eight More Firemen to Its Payroll — NOT ONE MORE MAN Would Be On Duty Each Shift Than There Is NOW To Fight Fires.

FACT: \$24,000 Additional Cost and NO ADDITIONAL FIRE PROTECTION to the Taxpayers.

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FACT: You Have a Vital Stake in This Referendum — When Rent Ceilings Are Lifted, This Tax Increase Will Be Passed Along to You.

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ON THE FIREMEN'S REFERENDUM

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EDITORIAL THOUGHTS

A CAPABLE OFFICIAL

One of the first selections Andover voters will have to make, when they go to the polls Monday, is that of choosing a selectman and assessor for a three-year term.

This town is fortunate in having as a candidate for these offices, the present chairman, Roy E. Hardy, whose experience and devotion to the best interests of Andover over a long period of years, deserves consideration.

Elected selectman and assessor in 1936 and chairman since 1941, his wide knowledge of town government has made him known far beyond the borders of our town and has brought him special recognition in various civic bodies of Massachusetts which have honored him with election to their boards of officers.

A businessman, a taxpayer, a veteran, the voters of Andover can well trust the affairs of selectman and assessor in his hands for another three years.

DON'T VOTE AGAINST YOURSELF

Monday will be election day and 6,823 Andover men and women are eligible to cast their votes. Not all of them will, of course. Voters never turn out 100 percent, but it would be a fine thing if they did. The army of voters in any community is the most powerful army in the world. It is the army that expresses the will of the people, because that army is the people. Any man or any woman who does not vote for the best interests of the entire community deliberately votes against himself.

Nobody dictates how a person shall vote. Each voter casts his ballot in secret. Everybody is privileged to vote according to the dictates of his own conscience, and nobody ever need know how a person has voted.

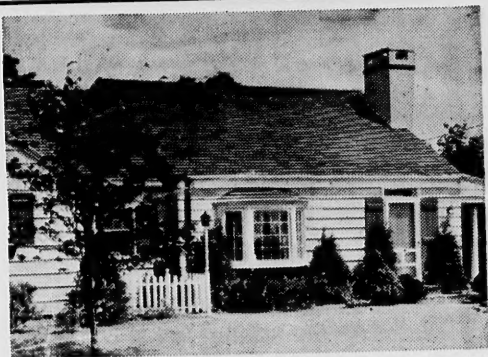
The business of voting is Big Business in free America!

OLD SOL IS CLIMBING

The year's two worst months are behind us — or will be before another issue of The Townsman appears. January and February are always treacherous and disagreeable, but they, apparently, are just as essential as are mellow June or golden October. It takes all kinds of months and all kinds of weather to make up a year.

January and February bad? Well, of course March is not perfection. The third month usually brings plenty of cold weather, blustering winds and storms — even snow storms. But the sun is getting so high by the time March dawns that however cold and windy and stormy it may be we always know that sooner or later Old Sol will make its presence felt. At this time of year bad weather certainly must share the days with a sample of better things — a forerunner of happier times.

Yes, things are looking up — from a weatherwise point of view, at least.



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What Our Readers Say —

STUDENT INSURANCE

The citizens of Andover believe in a sports program for our upper schools. They follow with interest the fortunes of our school teams when they play other towns and they approve intramural athletics.

That the town of Andover approves sports is shown by the gymnasium, playing fields, and coaches which it provides for that purpose.

The town of Andover shows its interest in the physical welfare of those engaged in sports by providing a doctor for first aid in certain hazardous engagements. But the town assumes no financial responsibility for injuries incurred; in fact, a "release" from liability is required of parents whose children participate in competitive athletics.

And yet, as the records show, injuries—even serious injuries—are unavoidable. Although the Puncture Athletic Association meets the cost of some of these accidents if asked and if funds are available, many accidents in both schools have resulted in some financial hardships to the families concerned.

For the first time, it is now possible for this community to purchase accident insurance to cover supervised competitive athletics, varsity and intramural, for both upper schools.

Although necessarily limited in its benefits, the proposed insurance plan offers tangible advantages. It safeguards health because a student with an apparently superficial injury will no longer hesitate to see a doctor; to have injuries checked promptly often prevents serious complications later. It relieves individual families of a financial burden which can be heavy. It gives players and coaches the feeling that the town is giving them its support. And finally, since this is group insurance, the town can buy it at a cost far below what the same protection would cost any individual. Because this is the only economical way to buy such protection, it is a sound community project.

Dino Valz and others.

TRAFFIC DIRECTION

Editor of The Townsman:

Practically speaking, there seems to be a double, and so confusing traffic direction standard at that 5-way traffic intersection on Route 28 in Shawshaven Village. The blinker in the center of the intersection says "Keep to the Right". But as often as not some go to the left. To those not accustomed to local drivers' habits, that can be quite confusing. Hence it seems advisable to remove the instruction from the sides of the blinker and paint the appropriate white lines on the highway indicating the path of travel to be used by those wishing to turn into Lowell Street when coming from either Andover square or Lawrence, or when turning toward Lawrence from Lowell street, the intersection being so wide and unconventional in shape.

With every good wish,
Sincerely yours,
High Plain Road Karl Haartz

GO TO THE POLLS

Editor of The Townsman:

We, the members of the League of Women Voters, appreciate the invitation of the Townsman to comment on matters of general interest.

We are all troubled by the disturbing character of the times, but they challenge us with a unique and fateful opportunity. We must recognize, above all else, that our nation's contribution to the peace will depend upon building intelli-

Chris Muller

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De Olde Bay State

For officiating at funerals the pastors of colonial times were given gloves or rings. This explains why Dr. Samuel Buxton of Salem, left his heirs a quart tankard full of mourning rings valued at several dollars apiece. And Rev. Andrew Eliot, pastor of the North Church in Boston in 1742 made about \$640 from bartering and selling 3,000 pairs of gloves received at funerals.

Three miles of girls streamed out of the mills at Lowell to greet President Andrew Jackson in 1835—or so he described the throng. His accuracy may be judged by the fact that when these same girls signed a petition some time later, their signatures in double column filled 12½ yards of letter paper.

This appeal to the ladies was printed in a Worcester paper, "The Massachusetts Spy" in 1779: "It is earnestly requested that the fair daughters of Liberty in this extensive county would not neglect to serve their country by saving for the paper mill in Sutton, all linen and cotton rags, be they ever so small. If the ladies should not make a fortune by this piece of economy, they will at least have the satisfaction of knowing they are doing an essential service to the community, which with eight pence per pound will be sufficient reward."

If bitten by a mad dog, physicians in 1797 recommended cutting out a piece of flesh where the wound was made and filling the place with fine salt.

Sources: "Social Life in Old New England," M. C. Crawford; Boston Evening Transcript, March 6, 1835; Massachusetts Spy, 1779; Salem Gazette, July 4, 1797.

gent and responsible citizens.

How better contribute to a stronger democracy than taking the next practical step—which is GO TO THE POLLS March 1st and vote intelligently?

We would call the attention of the voters to the action taken last year at town meeting, decreasing the school board to five members. This year, one member is to be elected from three candidates, to serve for a three year term. The strength of the school board can be vitally effected by your choice. We urge you to inform yourselves as to the qualifications of the candidates, that our children and the school may benefit by having the person best qualified by education, training and experience to assume this most responsible task.

Whether or not we have parking meters, a forty-eight hour week for the permanent members of our fire department and insurance for our high school athletes, are other matters which will affect us all.

The League, a non-partisan organization, urges you to inform yourselves of the issues, go to the polls and meet the challenge of the times.

Mrs. Douglas M. Dunbar,
President.

LIKES ALLEN'S COLUMN

Editor of The Townsman:

In regard to Senator Philip K. Allen's weekly column, the citizens of Andover and the Andover Townsman are very fortunate to be able to have a weekly report from him as to State House proceedings.

Senator Allen has shown himself to be in accord with the people who elected him by openly discussing any of the bills in which the citizens should be interested through the freedom of the press. That is something practically unknown to some of the town officials. I wonder if they have ever been informed as to the Bill of Rights.

Yours truly,
Peter S. Myatt
3 Highland Avenue



By Sen. Philip K. Allen

HISTORICAL COMMENT

Last week the progress of a petition was traced through the introduction, the public hearing, the discussion by committee in executive session, and the returning of the petition, either as a bill or as an adverse report.

Now, what happens? If the adverse report is accepted by both branches, then the petition is dead, at least for the current session. But, if in the Senate, for example, the adverse report is not accepted, after debate, then it becomes a bill and is given its first reading. At this same point in the procedure we find the favorable report of the Committee, which is now given the title of bill and is given its first reading. (Incidentally, the bill is not read in toto—some of them are many pages long—the clerk of the House or Senate merely reads the title aloud).

By rule, each bill must be read three times, once on each of three successive days, in each branch, before it is engrossed. In other words, great precaution is taken to be sure that everyone is satisfied that the bill has merit. This rule is another one of those checks and balances which protects the Commonwealth from hasty and ill-considered action.

Frequently, however, some matters must be given speedy passage in which case this rule may be suspended (requiring a two-thirds majority) in order that the bills may be given their readings immediately. The record for a bill, we are given to understand, is two hours from committee hearing to governor's signature.

Once the bill is passed to be engrossed by both branches because, of course, all bills must be given the same treatment in the House and Senate, it is engrossed by the Secretary of State's office with any and all amendments that may have been added. In the old days, engrossing meant that the bill would be copied with a fine hand on parchment. Now, with the aid of modern science, engrossing is done on a special script-typewriter on paper faintly resembling parchment. And a very neat and beautiful job it is, too. Now the bill has become an act.

The act, engrossed, is then sent back to the House and Senate to be enacted by the affixing of the speaker's and president's signature to it. It is, after this, "laid on the Governor's desk for his approbation."

What happens then, will be taken up next week.

YOUTH AND GOVERNMENT

Good Government Day, Friday, February 20, was a great success.

High school boys and girls from every part of the Commonwealth took over the reins of government and very capable handlers they turned out to be. Business was dispatched with decorum and a youthful enthusiasm which put veteran legislators on their mettle. It was a sight that this columnist will never forget. It should be an annual occasion.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Do you know what the Governor's powers of veto are? Answers next week.

CHOICE OF PHYSICIAN

Editor of The Townsman:

In reply to a question that appeared in last week's Townsman, I would like to say that in the event a student is injured while engaged in a supervised athletic contest or intramural competitive game, his parents have the choice of any physician.

Charles O. McCullom
26 Summer St.

Comment of our readers is invited on matters of general interest. All letters must be signed and bear the address of the sender. Your name will not be published if you wish to use a pen name.

Down the Years with The Townsman

50 Years Ago—February 25, 1898

Another week of bad weather opened with raging northeast storm; snow in morning, rain and slush in afternoon; downpour of sleet continued Tuesday and Wednesday leaving streets and sidewalks in wretched condition.

Little observance of Washington's birthday; banks and schools closed; stores open; Old Glory displayed on new flagstaff of Musgrave building but not elsewhere.

Oscar Newcomb and Ira Buxton of the Spanish War Veterans attend meeting and banquet of State S.W.V. in Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert F. Chase move into new house on Washington avenue.

List of jurors for year published over names of board of selectmen, Arthur Bliss, Samuel H. Boutwell and John S. Stark.

Farmers' Institute draws large attendance at meeting in Grange hall, West Andover.

Mass meeting in behalf of "no license" to be held soon.

Citizens' caucus nominates ticket for town offices.

25 Years Ago—February 23, 1923

Replanning of center of town for monument or other structure recommended by Memorial committee. Plan suggested would include two new streets in area bounded by Main, Park, Florence and Elm streets.

Dr. Alfred E. Stearns, principal of Phillips Academy, to be candidate for re-election to school committee.

Masonic club successfully presents first minstrel show.

Many townspeople ill with colds, gripe and other seasonal ailments.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Bodwell, Mr. and Mrs. Burton S. Flagg, and Mr. and Mrs. Nathan C. Hamblin return from trip to Ashburnham where they enjoyed winter sports.

Recent deaths included James J. Eldred, 62, of 139 North Main street; Joseph T. Lovejoy, 82, of Lovejoy road, and Alexander Derrah, 92, at Lynn, a resident of Ballardvale for 49 years.

We publish street plan of Shawshaven Village showing site of new school to be close to center of school population.

With Shawshaven Village calling for appropriations of approximately \$750,000, Andover has some serious business to accomplish at town meeting, we aver.

10 Years Ago—February 25, 1938

Moderator Fred Butler announces he will be candidate for the Republican nomination for governor.

Police Relief Association conducts successful concert and ball with colorful grand march.

Andover Historical society host to 300 at open house on Washington's birthday.

Daughter to Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Scanlon of 95 Summer street. (Happy birthday, Maureen).

Home after trips south: Edward P. Hall, Atty. Alan Polgreen, Dr. Thomas Kyle, Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Millett; headed south. Dr. and Mrs. John J. Hartigan, Mr. and Mrs. Winthrop Frye; in south at present: Harry Anderson of William street.

Returned from winter resorts: Miss Lucy Stewart, Frances McTernan, Harry I. Emmons, Sr. and Harry I. Emmons, Jr.

Miss Etta M. Dodge, respected and beloved school teacher, recently retired, dies at Shawshaven Village.

MODERN FOOD

"Mister, how do you account for the fact that I found a piece of rubber tire in one of the sausages I bought here last week?"

"My dear madam, that only goes to show that the automobile is replacing the horse everywhere."

Personals

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Obituaries

MRS. PHILIP F. RIPLEY
The funeral of Mrs. Mabel (Bacon) Ripley, wife of Philip F. Ripley of 7 Abbot street, who died last Friday, was held Monday afternoon with services at 2 o'clock in the South Congregational church conducted by the Rev. Frederick B. Noss, pastor. Cremation took place in Harmony Grove, Salem.

Ushers at the church were: Dr. Percy J. Look, Dr. T. Dennis Pratt, C. Carleton Kimball and Irving Southworth.

Mrs. Ripley, who was born in Geneva, Switzerland, 73 years ago, had been a resident of Andover for about 45 years. Besides her husband, she leaves two daughters, Miss Susan B. Ripley and Miss Helen Ripley, both of New York City; one son, George of Allentown, Pa., two sisters, Mrs. Robert M. Corwin of New Brunswick, N. J., and Mrs. Prescott M. Greene of Gifford, Conn., and one brother, David L. Bacon of North Haven, Conn.

MISS ANNABEL RICHARDSON

Funeral services for Miss Annabel Richardson, 79, who died February 17, were held the following Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the Lundgren funeral home. The Rev. J. Levering Reynolds, Jr., pastor of the Free Congregational church, and the Rev. Russell Richardson, pastor of the Second Congregational church, Attleboro, a nephew of the deceased, officiated. Burial was in Spring Grove cemetery.

Miss Richardson was a lifelong resident of the town. Surviving are two brothers, Charles Richardson of Reading, and Ammon P. Richardson of Providence, R. I., a sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Blake of Salem, and several nieces and nephews.

MRS. PATRICK DOYLE

Mrs. Sarah J. (Skillen) Doyle, wife of Patrick Doyle of 3 Buxton court and a resident of the town for the past 24 years died Sunday at the Lawrence General hospital.

The funeral was held Wednesday morning with a solemn high mass of requiem in St. Augustine's church at 9:30 a. m. with the Rev. Matthew A. McDonald, O.S.A., celebrant, the Rev. Thomas P. Fogarty, O.S.A., deacon, and the Rev. Henry B. Smith, O.S.A., sub-deacon. During the services James Sheard was soloist and Miss May F. Langan organist. Burial was in St. Augustine's cemetery.

The bearers were: Cornelius O'Brien, Patrick McCaffery, Thomas Daly, Richard McAtamney, Daniel Lyons and John Doyle. The services were attended by Sisters of the Sacred Heart from St. Patrick's parish, Lawrence, and a delegation of the local Sacred Heart society which included Mrs. William Burke, president; Mrs. Michael Brennan, vice-president; Mrs. Charles Robertson, Mrs. James McNulty, Miss Agnes Doherty, Miss Elizabeth Doherty, Mrs. Sarah Sime, Miss Sophie Caulfield, Mrs. George Dentremont and Mrs. William Coupe.

Ends Long Service With School Board

After 15 years' of service with the School committee of the town, Arthur R. Lewis of West Andover will retire March 1 as a member of the board. In recognition of his many outstanding qualifications, the Andover Teachers' Association passed the following resolutions, copies of which were sent to the Andover School committee and to Mr. Lewis:

With the retirement of Arthur R. Lewis as chairman of the School committee, the School department will lose one of its most faithful leaders. He is a man possessing a deep sense of responsibility, a sincere and straightforward manner, coupled with a wealth of common sense. During his fifteen years of service with the board, Mr. Lewis was ever mindful of the welfare of the boys and girls of Andover. In his quiet, unassuming manner, he worked to improve the Andover school system, believing that it should offer its young people an opportunity to learn both how to live and how to make a living in a democracy. His interest also extended to the teachers who have always been made aware of his sterling qualities. His sense of justice has ever caused him to look at situations from the practical and ethical viewpoints of both teachers and pupils, with the result that through the years all those with whom he has worked have had increasing admiration and respect for his sincere leadership.

Be it resolved therefore, that this tribute to Mr. Lewis's leadership be made a part of the records of the Andover Teachers' Association, and that copies be sent to the Andover School committee and Mr. Lewis.

COURT ST. MONICA

Court St. Monica, 783, Catholic Daughters of America, held a very successful Valentine social Monday night, February 16, at St. Augustine's School hall.

Prizes were awarded Mrs. M. Robertson, Mrs. L. Naughton, Mrs. D. Beaulieu, Mrs. M. Easton, Mrs. A. Brennan, Mrs. M. Coleman and Mrs. M. Gardiner. Refreshments were served by the committee which included Mrs. A. LeGendre, Miss J. Barrett, Mrs. M. Lynch, Mrs. G. Dempsey, Mrs. Lola Grillo, and Mrs. F. Wennik.

The next meeting scheduled for Monday, March 8th, will be held the following night because of town meeting. At this time plans will be completed for the Easter card party. Donations and prizes for the party will be accepted at this meeting.

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Coming Events

- Feb.**
- 26 West Parish Men's Brotherhood open night, Airline hostess speaker. Ladies invited, 8:00 p. m.
 - 26 Punchard High Seniors play at Auditorium, 8:00 p. m.
 - 27 American Legion pre-election and town meeting forum, post rooms, Barnard building, 8 p. m.
 - 29 University of Life, Free church, supper 6:30 p. m.
- Mar.**
- 1 Election day, polls open 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.
 - 1 Shawshen Village Women's Club Home-day meeting at Shawshen school, beginning at 11 a. m.
 - 1 November Club, speaker, club rooms, 3 p. m.
 - 1 Rally supper for Red Cross workers, Christ church parish house, 6:30 p. m.
 - 1 All-Women's post meeting, Legion rooms, 7:45 p. m.
 - 2 Andover Garden Club, speaker, Andover Inn, 10 a. m.
 - 3 Vocalists presented by D. V. A., Memorial Auditorium, 8:15 p. m.
 - 4 A.P.C. sorority style show by Michael Jays at South church vestry 8 p. m.
 - 5 Drama department of November Club meets with Mrs. Preston H. Blake, 7 Stratford road, 2 p. m.
 - 8 Town meeting to act on special articles, Memorial auditorium, 7 p. m.
 - 9 Ct. St. Monica meets, St. Augustine's hall, 8 p. m.
 - 11 November Club, Marion Tucker Rudkin gives book review, club rooms, tea, 3 p. m.
 - 12 Square and Compass Club meeting, movies of World series and Louis-Wolcott fight, 6:30 p. m.
 - 13 Bean supper, King's Daughters at South church vestry, 6:30 p. m.

Lodges, clubs and societies in Andover, wishing to be included in this calendar may do so by sending notices by Tuesday noon of each week to The Townsman.

A certain Southern lady waited what her neighbors considered an indecently short length of time after the death of her husband, to marry his brother. She did have the kindness to hang a picture of her departed mate in the parlor, and this somewhat mollified her friends—that is, until they overheard a remark she made to a stranger, who asked about the picture.

"Oh," said the recently remarried lady, "that's my poor brother-in-law. He passed away recently."

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Monday, 6:30 p. m., Inter-Church basketball league games at Punchard Gymnasium.
Tuesday, 2:00 p. m., Merrimack River Baptist Association meeting at First Calvary Baptist Church, Lawrence. Supper at 6:00 p. m. Evening session at 7:00 p. m.
Wednesday, 2:30 p. m., Pioneer Girls meet in the vestry.
Thursday, 7:00 p. m., Royal Ambassadors meet in the vestry; 8:00, Adult Choir rehearsal in the parlor.

Christ Church
Rev. John S. Moses, Rector
Sunday, 8:00 a. m., Holy Communion; 9:30, Sunday School; 11:00, Morning Prayer and Broadcast by Bishop Sherrill; 4:00 p. m., Confirmation Class (Adults); 5:45 p. m., Young People's Fellowship; 6:30 p. m., University of Life (Free Church).
Monday, 3:30 p. m., Girl Scouts, Mrs. Follansbee's Troop; 6:30, Red Cross Campaign Dinner; 7:45, Girls' Friendly Society at the residence of Mrs. Higus Asorian, 8 Dutton road.
Tuesday, 2:30 p. m., Confirmation Class; 4:00, Children's Service.
Wednesday, 1:15 p. m., Week-Day Religious Education; 2:00, Girl Scouts, Mrs. Johnson's Troop.
Thursday, 10:00 a. m., Holy Communion; 3:00, Woman's Auxiliary, Speaker: Sister Dorothy of St. Margaret's Convent, Boston. 7:45, Evening Prayer and Sermon, Preacher Rev. Roger W. Bennett of Newton.
Friday, 6:30 p. m., Boy Scout Troop 70.

Free Church
Rev. J. Levering Reynolds, Pastor
Friday, 7:30 p. m., Entertainment by Boy Scouts, Troop 72.
Saturday, 10:00 a. m., Basketball practice, Andover Guild.
Sunday, 9:30 a. m., Church School; 11:00, Nursery School; 11:00, Morning Worship, Sermon topic: "Love and Peace"; 6:30 p. m., University of Life in the Free Church.
Monday, 6:30 p. m., Inter-Church basketball.
Tuesday, 10:00 a. m., All-Day Evening Meeting; 3:30 p. m., Pastor's Class.
Wednesday, 7:45 p. m., Woman's Union, Speaker, Rabbi Herschel Levin of Temple Emanuel, Lawrence, on the subject: "Inside Palestine".
Thursday, 3:45 p. m., Junior Choir rehearsal; 7:00, Girl Scouts; 7:30, Senior Choir rehearsal.

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Rev. A. Graham Baldwin, Minister
Sunday, 11:00 a. m., Morning Service.
Rt. Rev. Donald B. Aldrich, Princeton University, will speak.

Methodist Church
Balladeer
Rev. William Crawford, Minister
Sunday, 10:30 a. m., Morning Worship and Communion Service; 10:40, Church School, with Classes for all ages; 6:30 p. m., University of Life at Free Church.

St. Joseph's Church
Balladeer
Sunday, 9:00 a. m., Mass.
Wednesday, 7:30 p. m., Lenten Services.

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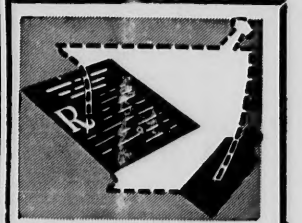
Rev. Frederick B. Noss, Pastor
Sunday, 9:30 a. m., Church School and the Junior Church; 10:45, Morning Worship and Sermon; 10:45, Church Kindergarten; 11:15, Educational section pictures; 6:30 p. m., University of Life at the Free Church.
Monday, 6:30 p. m., Inter-Church Basketball League; 6:30, Catechism Circle of "The King's Daughters".
Tuesday, 2:00 p. m., Sewing for the Lawrence General Hospital at St. Augustine's Episcopal Church, Union street, Lawrence, tea will be served; 6:30 p. m., Ping Pong club.
Thursday, 10:00 a. m., All-Day S-wing meeting of the Women's Union; 3:00 p. m., Worship Service and Bible Study of Women's Union; 4:00, the Junior Choir; 7:30, Confirmation class at 39 Barlett street; 7:45, Church choir; 8:00, Adult Choir rehearsal; 8:15, Style show at M. As I Jay's.
Friday, 10:30 a. m., Purgim Hall meeting, 14 Beacon street, Boston; 7:15 p. m., Troop 73, Boy Scouts.
Saturday, 1:00 p. m., Spring House Cleaning Day for church.

St. Augustine's Church
Rev. Thomas P. Fogarty, Pastor
Friday, 3:30 p. m., Stations of the Cross; 7:45 p. m., Stations of the Cross and Novena devotions to St. Nicholas and St. Therese.
Saturday, 4:00 to 6:00 p. m., and 7:30 to 9:00 p. m., Confessions.
Sunday, Masses at 6:30, 8:30, 9:45 and 11:30 a. m.
Wednesday, 7:45 p. m., Devotions and Benediction.
Daily Masses, 7:00 and 7:45 a. m.

Union Congregational Church
Balladeer
Rev. Philip M. Keisley, Minister
Friday, 7:30 p. m., Choir rehearsal at home of Miss Margaret Hadley.
Sunday, 9:30 a. m., Church School; 11:00, Morning Worship and Holy Communion Service; 6:30 p. m., University of Life in Free Church.

West Parish Church
Rev. John Gilbert Gaskill, Minister
Sunday, 10:30 p. m., Children's Service of Worship, Sermon by Mrs. Gaskill, Classes for adults and teen-agers; 11:00, Morning Service of Worship, Lenten meditation by the Pastor: "Innocent Hands". Music by the choir, under direction of Mrs. Dean Huggins; 6:30 p. m., University of Life at the Free Church.
Tuesday, 4:00 p. m., Dismissal Council of the Rev. Leroy Allen of the Pawtucketville Church, Lowell.
Wednesday, 2:30 p. m., Senior Women's Union will meet at home of Mrs. Leverett Putnam, 71 Lowell st. All members are asked to bring something for the auction.
Thursday, 3:30 p. m., Children's Choir will meet at the home of Mrs. Walter True; 7:30, Choir rehearsal.

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Vincent Treanor Looks 'em Over

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No matter . . . that lone, aloof star, perched atop the lamp post, valiantly pleads to all to remember that there is a Santa Claus.

We've received another shipment of lamps . . . big ones, small ones, and lamps of all colors. Come and get 'em!

The experts took a tumble on predicting the winner of the Widener, last Saturday, when both Assault and Armed were out of the money. Assault will be retired to stud, having suffered an osselet, a wrenched ankle, and a splint, all on the left foreleg. We guess that is a legitimate excuse.

There's no excuse for not viewing the new lamps we have stocked. They're reasonable, too.

This Saturday's Flamingo Stake at Hialeah should not offer great difficulties to the fireside handicappers. It looks like Citation all the way. Incidentally, Warren Wright has been offered one quarter of a million dollars for this colt by one E. O. Stice of Los Angeles. If the deal is consummated, Citation will be flown to California to race in the \$100,000 Santa Anita Handicap.

Relic, our nomination for the winner's circle on Flamingo Day, pulled his lumbar muscle, so his owner, Circle M. Ranch, pulled him out of the race.

There will be a lot of pulling and pushing to get our new lamps. They are all beautiful and attractively priced.

With the pace of present day whirlwind basketball getting dizzier and dizzier, we think that the Oklahoma Aggies have the right system.

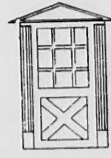
They play a slowed down game in the middle of the court which leaves the opposition full of wonder and amazement . . . and on the tail end of the score.

The Aggie coach, Hank Iba, thinks that basketball is getting out of hand. He has revived the method of play which was in vogue twenty-five years ago as a protest vote, and it is paying dividends. So far this year he hasn't lost a game. The Aggies will never be on the top of any list of high scoring teams. But, they sure head the list of winners.

One of Iba's secrets is never allowing his players to be drawn out of defensive positions. The opposition calls the game "slow death."

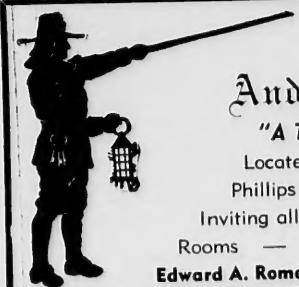
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Marriage

NOWELL-VIDETO
Miss Mildred Ann Videto, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank G. Videto of 63 Whittier street, became the bride of Frederick Nicholas Nowell, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick N. Nowell, of 63 Chestnut street, Saturday, February 14, at a ceremony in the South Congregational church. The Rev. Frederick B. Noss, pastor, officiated.

Miss Frances D. Videto, sister of the bride, was the maid of honor. Diana Nowell, Eleanor Ryan of Lowell, Mrs. Walter R. Selfridge of Providence, R. I., and Mrs. George F. Rodenbush, Jr., of Brockton were the bridesmaids.

Richard W. Kinnard of Boston was best man. The ushers were Frederick B. Cole, Jr., David L. Markert, Walter R. Selfridge, Jr., of Providence, R. I., and George F. Rodenbush, Jr., of Brockton.

Miss Judith Nowell was in charge of the guest book.

Following a reception the couple left on a wedding trip to Washington, D. C. and Virginia after which they will reside in Boston.

The bride attended Katharine Gibbs Secretarial School, Boston. The bridegroom was graduated from Tufts College, Medford.

Historical Society Holds Open House

Sunshine and an amiable temperature made it possible for many to enjoy the annual recognition of Washington's birthday by open house held by the Andover Historical society Monday the 23rd. A social hour was held in the afternoon to view the collection of choice laces and types of the "new look" for 1948 as seen in the plates from Godey's Ladies' Book and in some of the original gowns, parasols, hats and bonnets of the 1840's. Tea and cherried cookies offered cheer and comfort.

At eight in the evening an even larger audience was present to hear Dr. C. A. Currier as he interpreted the various clocks loaned for the occasion and the three or four time-pieces owned by the society. His talk was thoroughly enjoyed. It was a logical and comprehensive review of the subject, the famous clock makers and their particular points of design and execution.

The rooms of the Historical House at 97 Main street were filled to capacity, indicating an ever increasing interest in Andover's early houses and their furnishings, streets, organizations and industries. This interest was greatly quickened by the tercentenary of 1946 and did not end with those three memorable days of that year, the schools and societies still carrying on.

The display of laces and costume accessories will be kept on view for another week for those who may be interested. Any afternoon or by appointment — call 1089-J.

WEST PARISH

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Going Away Party

Mr. and Mrs. George Horne of Bain Manor, Windham, Entertained at a buffet supper party Saturday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hogan who are leaving shortly for South America. Those who attended included: Mr. and Mrs. George Laaff, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Holch, Mr. and Mrs. John Bolten, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Larry Bragg, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Hogan, Mrs. Roy Bolton, Mr. and Mrs. John Gorrie, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Mill, Mrs. George Laaff, Mr. and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. Roland Hammond, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Marum, and Mr. and Mrs. Granville Cutler.

11th Birthday
Master David Haartz celebrated his eleventh birthday at his home on High Plain road Friday afternoon. Games were played and a supper was served by Mrs. Haartz. Those who attended were Arthur and Allan Schwartzberg, Glenn Peatman, Jackie McCabe, Paul Gaskill, Thomas Merrick, Robert Savage, Larry Lewis and David Haartz.

Church and Club Notes

The March meeting of the Lafa-ot club will be held Tuesday evening, March 2, at 8:00 at the home of Mrs. Herbert P. Carter, 181 Lowell street.

Senior Women's Union

The March meeting of the Senior Women's Union will be held on Wednesday afternoon, March 3 at 2:30 at the home of Mrs. Leverett Putman, Lowell street. Following the business meeting an auction will take place and each one is asked to bring something for the sale as well as an article for the fair chest.

Improvement Society

The monthly meeting of the North District Improvement Society will be held tonight at 7:00 p. m. in the North school. Articles in the town warrant will be discussed and the table model radio will be awarded. Friends are invited to attend.

Personals

Robert Simon has returned to Baltimore, Maryland after spending the holiday week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Simon of Arundel street.

Mrs. Harold Lermond and son of Lowell street are spending the week visiting relatives in Worcester.

Miss Doris Newton of Boutwell road is spending the week vacationing with her aunt in Clearwater, Florida. Miss Newton is supervisor of music in the public schools of Montpelier, Vermont.

Mrs. Earl Young and baby son have returned from the Lawrence General hospital to their home on Lowell street.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger H. Lewis and family of Laurel lane and Mrs. Arthur Peatman and daughter Norma Jean of Cutler road spent the

holiday with Mrs. Walter Lewis of Chelmsford.

Miss Mabel Barron of South Newton spent the week end at her home on Haggetts Fond road.

Henry Drolet has returned to his home on Lowell street after enjoying a several months' stay in Florida.

Seaman 2/c William Barron, stationed at New London, Conn., spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Barron of Virginia road.

Mr. Edwin Stillwagon of Framingham, visited Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lewis of Lowell street.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Cook of Rockport, spent the holidays with the latter's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harwood Belding of High Plain road.

Mrs. Carrie A. Daniels of Chapel Hill school, Waltham, spent the weekend with her niece, Mrs. Emil DesRoches of Argilla road.

Miss Constance Dow spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Halbert Dow of Beacon street. Miss Dow is a student at Colby Junior College, New London, New Hampshire.

Misses Isabelle and Charlotte Hill of Lowell street enjoyed a performance of the Ice Follies in Boston, Monday.

Friends of Mrs. Herbert Merrick of Lowell street will be sorry to learn that she is ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Lawrence of Woburn.

Bruce Etewart has returned to his home in Waterville, Maine after spending the weekend with friends in the parish.

Rev. Leslie J. Adkins, former pastor of the West Parish church now studying in New York City, spent the weekend in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Karl Haartz and family of High Plain road spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. William Haartz of Scituate, in honor of Mrs. Haartz's birthday.

Miss Dorothy Farnum of North Andover, spent the weekend with her friend Mrs. Beatrice Hunter of Lowell street.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Cole of High street spent the holiday weekend in New York City.

Miss Constance Cole and Miss Elanor Krushwitz of North Andover enjoyed the weekend in New York City.

Mrs. W. Blanchard Frye has returned to her home on Elm street after being seriously ill at the Lawrence General hospital for the past six weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hogan of Main street left town Tuesday for New York City. From there they will sail, Friday for Buenos Aires, South America, where they expect to live for the next three years.

The Men's club of the West Parish church will meet tonight at 8 o'clock when Miss Lillian Fletcher, air line hostess, will be the speaker. Wives of the members and ladies of the parish are invited, as well as the Men's Brotherhood of the Baptist church and their wives.

Abbot Notes

This weekend ahead will be marked by the visit of the Abbot Fidelity Society to Governor Dummer Academy, where the two glee clubs will join in a concert. A dance will follow the program. The Fidelity Society is under the direction of Walter Howe.

Friday evening at Abbot the second of a series of motion pictures will be shown, including a film of the English countryside and showing some of its industrial and shipping centers as well.

Vespers on Sunday evening will be conducted by the Rev. John E. Wallace of the Trinitarian Congregational church, Concord.

As is the custom, Abbot Academy will conduct a Red Cross all-school drive as a part of the Andover Red Cross drive. The school, including administration, faculty, students, and entire staff of workers, will have an opportunity to take part in the total gift of the school to the organization.

Miss Marguerite C. Hearsey, principal, left Tuesday to attend the annual meeting of principals of Secondary Schools for Girls in session at Atlantic City. She is expected to return to Abbot Sunday.

Class elections for the second semester have taken place with the following results:

For the Senior Middlers, Patricia Bleecker of Syosset, New York, president, and Nancy Jeffers of Wenham, Massachusetts, is vice president. For the Junior Middlers, Polly Ann Maddux of Princeton, New Jersey, is president, and Deborah Redfield of Swampscott, Massachusetts, for vice president. For the Juniors, Alice Russell of South Bend, Indiana, president, and Dorothy Bowman of Eastern, Maryland, vice president. For the Preparatory class, Lydia Eccles of St. George's School, Newport, Rhode Island, president, and Dorothy Massie of Lexington, Kentucky, vice president.

The entire school, students and faculty, were deeply saddened by the recent death of their teacher and colleague, Mrs. Bertha Morgan Gray. Mrs. Gray held the admiration and affection of her students, and the friendship and love of her faculty associates, some of whom she had worked alongside for many years. At the chapel service on Thursday morning following Mrs. Gray's death, Miss Hearsey paid a moving tribute to Mrs. Gray's fine contributions to the life of the school throughout her years of association with it. Her presence will be greatly missed by all of the Abbot group.

Miss Hearsey has announced that Miss Emily Hale, a teacher of speech and dramatics, formerly of the faculty of Smith College, and later of Concord Academy, would come to Abbot to take Mrs. Gray's classes for the remainder of the year.

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UNIVERSITY OF LIFE
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The General Assembly meeting will open with a worship service led by Rev. Philip Kelsey of the Union Congregational church in Ballardvale followed by the speaker of the evening, the Rt. Rev. Donald B. Aldrich, formerly Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Michigan Protestant Episcopal church and now chaplain of Princeton University. The Church group will be led by Dr. Aldrich. The Bible group by Dr. Hans Sidor of Christ Presbyterian church in Lawrence and the Youth group meeting at the Baptist church will have for leader, Rev. Amos C. Barsto Murphy of the First Unitarian church in Lawrence and recently elected a member of the Lawrence School committee.

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Remedial Reading Aids Grade Pupils

Program Also Receives Approval of Teachers

Andover schools have had a Remedial Reading program for a little over a year and it is meeting with enthusiastic support from all the teaching staff. The program was first introduced January 1, 1947, because of a growing recognition of educators throughout the United States that many high school students were unable to read with speed and comprehension. These two factors are necessary if one is to meet with success in the higher education of today.

According to Miss Elizabeth Hopkins, remedial reading teacher of all Andover elementary grade schools, the trouble generally arises because children are prone to measles, mumps, chickenpox, whooping cough and colds during those years when reading is being mastered.

A first grade child is required to recognize and pronounce 336 words, many of which are in his speaking vocabulary. If he is out for several weeks with illness many strange symbols confront him on his return. Each teacher keeps track of the words introduced during a child's absence and teaches them to him as quickly as possible on his return to school, but in the meantime he is seeing unknown words and becoming confused.

In grade two there are 563 more words to master and 967 more in grade three. When a child enters grade four he has a slight vocabulary of 1,866 words which he should be able to pronounce clearly and correctly, but since this is the time he is usually without the necessary front teeth, Miss Hopkins says that correct pronunciation is hoped that all who were members of the choir will be present and many new ones will join. Refreshments will be served at this first get-together.

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tion is a bit difficult.

The remedial reading program is set up to discover those children who have a reading disability, find out just what the difficulty is, plan a set of exercises which will help to overcome the specific trouble, and to give confidence and ability to each child.

Quite often word games are employed, for example the game "Hunt." The hunt may be for words or ideas in answer to questions. This requires keen and concentrated attention and the ability to skim.

Sometimes a word has to be dramatically introduced to a child. Miss Hopkins tells the story of a small boy being taught the pronoun "I." The boy found it very hard to remember. Finally the teacher dramatically announced, pointing to herself, "I am a woman." The boy laughed at the drama. The teacher suggested that he say "I am a boy." Later on "I" appeared once more on the page. The boy paused, then said the word "I" and added, "Do you know what I did? I said to myself 'I am a woman.'" But the word had become his own.

Most children who have reading difficulty are sensitive about their failure and are ashamed to read before their classmates. This may lead to a feeling of defeat if help is not forthcoming. When in the remedial reading class the child is with those who are on his own level and difficulties are corrected easily.

Modern educators feel that the ability to read intelligently and to know the exact meaning of important words is of such fundamental importance that the doors of much learning and great educational opportunities are lost to the pupil who does not possess those qualities.

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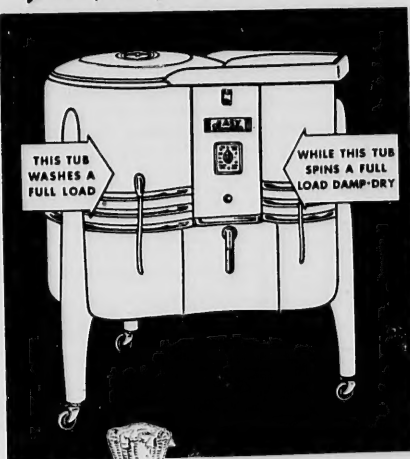
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PUNCHARD HIGH

By Jack Sherman

Holiday—Like Fun

The students of Punchard celebrated Washington's Birthday last Monday by having a day of freedom, but for several members of the Senior class and faculty the day might just as well have been a day of regular session. The members of the class play gathered in the auditorium to rehearse, and many more Senior boys were around helping to unload scenery and furniture for the play. The work started at 8:30 and the crew and cast finished up around six. That's one way of celebrating a holiday.

Good Government Day

The students of the Senior Class at Punchard ran the town last Friday morning. They were instructed in the duties of government by the town officials, and then carried on the business for the remainder of the morning. Those participating in this activity were: Selectmen, Eric Halbach, Robert Mitchell, Audrey Tompkins and Polly Black; Treasurer, Jack Sherman; Tax Collector, Jane Lynch; Veterans Affairs Agent, Fred Cole; Town Clerk,

John Pingree; Board of Public Works, John Wood, Eileen Stevens and Mary Columbusian; Police Department, Chief Clifford Dubois, Sergeants, Robert Northam and Walter Lloyd; Fire department, Chief Laurence Marocco, Assistant Chief Phillip Churchill; Superintendent of Schools, G. Allen Howe; Accountant, Elaine Matton; Assistant Clerk, Rita Groleau; Librarians, Marjorie Harshaw, Jane Draper and Joan Draper.

Senior Class Play

The Senior Class Play will be presented tonight. It is "The Barretts of Wimpole Street", by Rudolf Besier, and promises to be a most exciting production. The cast has been ably directed by Mr. Mervin Stevens, who has directed other notable productions for Punchard and for the Adventurers in the past. The cast includes: Doctor Cham-

bers, Fred Cole; Elizabeth Barrett Moulton-Barrett, June Steiner; Wilson, Eileen Stevens; Henrietta Moulton-Barrett, Marjorie Harshaw; Arabel Moulton-Barrett, Audrey Tompkins; Octavius Moulton-Barrett, Jack Sherman; Septimus Moulton-Barrett, Phillip Churchill; Alfred Moulton-Barrett, Walter Lloyd; Charles Moulton-Barrett, Robert Wetterberg; Henry Moulton-Barrett, Erich Halbach; George Moulton-Barrett, Vinson Davey; Edward Moulton-Barrett, Robert Mitchell; Bella Hedley, Joan Gallagher; Henry Bevan, Richard Kydd; Robert Browning, John Pingree; Doctor Ford-Waterlow, John Gillis; Captain Surtees Cook, Lawrence Marocco; and Flush, the dog, (?)

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VETERANS' ACTIVITIES

All-Women's Post, A.I.

The Andover All-Women's Post, No. 427, American Legion, held its monthly social meeting at the home of the post sergeant-at-arms on Red Spring road, February 23rd.

The hostess served a spaghetti supper and was assisted by Mrs. Gay Genske as co-chairman. The supper was followed by an informal evening, during which time the charter was signed by new members, and plans for the coming installation were discussed.

Miss Mary Erzin, chairman of the Hospitalization committee of the post, has announced that the local post will serve afternoon tea to the women patients at the Cushing Veterans' hospital, March 21st. Miss Erzin's committee is cooperating with the Massachusetts State Department of the American Legion in its effort to help the hospitalized veteran.

The Andover All-Women's post, American Legion, was represented by Post Commander Mary G. Bailey at the National Command-

er's banquet held last Saturday at the Hotel Statler in Boston.

Miss Bailey also attended the Washington's Birthday reception to Governor Bradford at the State House Monday with the American Legion.

Andover Post, A.I.

Joseph McCarthy and James Doherty are in charge of the arrangements for the pre-election rally to be held in the Legion rooms Friday, February 27 at 8 p. m. Candidates for office will be introduced and an open forum will be held on the articles in the town warrant. The meeting will be an open one and all are invited.

Thomas P. Dea, post child welfare officer, recently attended the Child Welfare conference held in Providence, R. I.

Adjutant James Robjert reminds all members that 1948 dues are payable now. Delinquent members are suspended from all privileges on and after April 1st, according to National Constitution rules.

Thursday, February 19th, James Gleason, Lawrence Branch manager of the Social Security board, gave a talk to members and their guests on the subject "Old Age and Survivorship Insurance — When and How to Obtain These Benefits." Mr. Gleason brought out many points that are not commonly known about this pro-

gram and gave a complete picture of the entire set-up. At the conclusion of this very interesting talk refreshments were served by the house committee under the capable direction of Robert Prescott.

The next meeting of the post will be a regular business meeting March 4th, at 8 p. m. All members are urged to attend.

Commander and Mrs. Vincent Stulgis and Adjutant and Mrs. James Robjert attended the banquet in honor of National Commander James F. O'Neill at the Hotel Statler, Boston, the evening of Saturday, February 21st.

Vincent Stulgis, James Doherty and Lawrence Dole have been appointed as a committee to aid in the work of the Navy "Fill the Fleet" program.

American Legion Auxiliary

The auxiliary to Andover post, 8, American Legion, will meet tonight in the Legion rooms, Barnard building. A large attendance is desired as business of importance is to be transacted.

Commander Vincent F. Stulgis of the American Legion post has announced the appointment of Past Commander Arthur L. Coleman as chairman of the post's oratorical contest. Jack Sherman, Puncard senior, is in the Essex County finals to be held at Lawrence Sunday.

Corporal Jerome E. Rainville of 6 Maple avenue, has been discharged from the Army. He entered the service while living in New York and was recently discharged at Fort Bliss.

John A. Markey, son of Mr. and Mrs. George P. Markey, Sr., of High street, recently received his A.I. degree in physics at the University of Indiana, Bloomington, Indiana. He plans to continue his studies at the same college to obtain his Master of Science degree.

SHAWSHEEN

Mrs. G. Edgar Best, Correspondent, Telephone 171

Woman's Club

The Shawsheen Village Woman's Club will hold its American Home all-day meeting Monday, March 1st, in the auditorium of the Shawsheen School hall, starting at 1 o'clock. Johnson of Carbone will speak on "Artistic Living." There will be a catered lunch at 12:30. Bring luncheon cloth and miniature centerpiece.

The afternoon meeting will start at 2 o'clock. Elsie Oakes Barber will speak on "Adventures in Writing." Hooked rugs and painted trays, the work of the two classes, will be exhibited.

Mrs. Weston F. Eastman will be hostess chairman and will be assisted by Mrs. Charles A. Currier, Mrs. Willard H. Currier, Mrs. Justin R. Curry, Mrs. Charles F. Dalton, Mrs. Joseph Daly, Mrs. Archibald L. Davidson, Miss Helen Davies, Miss Marjorie Davies, Mrs. Edward P. Dean, Mrs. James L.

Corporal Robert C. Moss received his discharge from the Army at Fort Jackson, South Carolina, February 5, after 17 months' service and has returned to his home 248 Andover street, Ballardvale.

Stephen J. East, pharmacist's mate, first class, has returned to his home, 70 Main street, after receiving his discharge from the Navy. He enlisted February 27, 1942, and received his discharge papers December 30, 1947, at San Diego, Calif.

Fred Charles Martinson of 26 Elm street, seaman first class, received his discharge from the Navy at San Diego, California, February 3, and has returned home.

Women's Post Organized

The Andover Service Women's Club is now organized as the Andover All Women's Post, 427, American Legion.

At a recent meeting the following officers were elected: Commander, Mary G. Bailey; Senior Vice Commander, Dorothy Volker; Junior Vice Commander, Virginia Stevens; Adjutant, Grace Winslow; Finance Officer, Jean MacLeish; Chaplain, Louise Wolfenden; Historian, Gay Genske; Service Officer, Jeannie Mitchell; Sergeant At Arms, Edith Valentine; Members of Executive Committee, Margaret Burnham, Ruth Porter, Josephine Strout.

American Legion membership is open to all women veterans and they are cordially invited to attend the next regular business meeting of the post to be held on March 1st in the Legion rooms at 8 o'clock.

Dean, Mrs. Howard Dolan, Mrs. Cornelius Driscoll, Mrs. Alan F. Dunlop, Mrs. Donald D. Dunn, Mrs. Wilfred T. Dwyer, Mrs. William R. Edwards, Mrs. Otto Eschholz, Mrs. James J. Faggiano, Mrs. Wallace C. Fiedler, Mrs. Ray Foss, Mrs. William P. Foster, Mrs. Walter Wood, Mrs. Walter Wilson, Mrs. Vernon Walker, Mrs. Earl Wadlington, Mrs. Clinton Stevens, Mrs. Frederick Smith, Mrs. Howell Smith, Mrs. Walter Tomlinson, Mrs. James Menzie, Mrs. William Poland, Mrs. Irving Piper, Mrs. Percy Nutton, Mrs. Leslie Jolliffe, Mrs. George Jones, Mrs. Henry Kazaz, Mrs. William Kurth, Mrs. Stafford Lindsay, Mrs. Edgar Best, Mrs. Edwin L. Bramley.

Drama Dept.

The Dramatic Dept. of the Shawsheen Village Woman's Club met Friday, February 20, at the home of Mrs. William Thompson at 12 Argyle street, Shawsheen Village. Dessert was served by the hostesses of the day. Mrs. Frank Stevenson, Mrs. Justin Rex, Mrs. G. Edgar Best, Mrs. William Thompson and Mrs. Wallace Fiedler poured. The play was read, that will be presented in the spring, by some of the members of the group and it promises to be one of the best presented by this well-known group.

The board meeting of the Shawsheen Village Woman's Club will hold its monthly meeting Friday, February 27, at the home of Mrs. John Batal, 4 William street at 1:30 p. m.

Neighborhood Party

A Neighborhood Party was recently held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Lowe, 6 Sutherland street. Refreshments were served by the host and hostess during the evening and games were enjoyed. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. A. Carpenter, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Caswell, Mr. and Mrs. C. Kopatch, Mr. and Mrs. Paul McKinnon.

Tendered Shower

A shower was tendered by Mrs. Carleton Shulze of 1 Carisbrooke street to Miss Constance Hathaway, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hathaway of 7 Carisbrooke street, Wednesday evening, February 18, in honor of her coming marriage to Constantine Courtoglous, son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Courtoglous of East Boston. The wedding will take place June 26 at Christ church, Andover.

The home was attractively decorated in red and white to carry out the Valentine motif and for

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a centerpiece she used a partly opened umbrella made of ribbon and cellophane. Miss Hathaway was presented with many useful kitchen gifts.

Those present: Mrs. Harold P. Hathaway, Constance Hathaway, Mrs. F. MacMackin, Mrs. Edward O'Connor, Mrs. Douglas Donald, Mrs. Fred Wainwright, Mrs. Nedham Brown, Sally Brown, Mrs. Herve Guertin, Mrs. Byron Hall, Mrs. Leslie Herrick, Mrs. Leslie Christinsson, Mrs. Alex Blamire, Jr., Mrs. G. Edgar Best, Mrs. Stafford Lindsay, Jane Lindsay, Mrs. Donald Boynton, Mrs. Percy Nutton, Edna Nutton, Mrs. Walter Wood, Mrs. Carlton Shulze, Barbara Shulze, Nancy Shulze.

Entertains Alliance

A meeting of the Women's Alliance of First Unitarian church, Lawrence, was held at the home of Mrs. Alden Cook, 76 Haverhill street, and plans were made during the evening for a desert bridge to be held Wednesday, March 3, at the church.

Girl Scout Troop 18

Girl Scout Troop 18 of Shawsheen Village held a Valentine party with appropriate decorations for the occasion, in the Scout room of the Shawsheen school on February 12. Refreshments were served by the girls to enable them to pass their hostess requirements.

Mrs. Murray Tuttle and Mrs. Alfred Shugrue are the leaders of this very active group.

Notes

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Shulze of 78 Poor street, left recently for a two weeks vacation at Miami Beach, Florida.

Mrs. Philip Costello, recently of 30 Riverina road and now of Belmont, visited friends in Shawsheen during the past week-end.

Shawsheen Piloteers

(February 24)

DEVASTATORS	LIBERATORS
A. McKinnon... 261	M. Wilkins... 261
M. Faggiano... 261	M. Lowe... 261
D. Deere... 255	B. Berhel... 255
P. Andrews... 219	P. Maxwell... 219
M. Best... 285	A. Vance... 285
Totals... 1296	Totals... 1275

WILDCATS	SPIRITFIRE
B. Blamire... 267	E. Justice... 267
M. Robinson... 239	M. Bailey... 239
G. Driscoll... 243	E. Naughton... 243
M. Young... 247	K. Rex... 247
R. Thompson... 285	Average... 285
Totals... 1281	Totals... 1281

AVENGERS	HURRICANES
A. Batterbury... 274	N. Flaherty... 274
L. Mimmer... 219	F. Planchard... 219
M. Ball... 290	H. Dunlop... 290
Average... 271	Average... 271
Totals... 1292	Totals... 1292

The Standings

The scores for the first eight weeks of the second half are as follows:

	Won	Lost
Liberators	21	11
Devastators	21	11
Wildcats	19	13
Avengers	14	18
Spiritfires	14	18
Hurricanes	7	25

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Salaries of Andover Teachers Too Low

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able as teachers' salaries go. However, it is only a schedule; it does not mean that our teachers are all receiving the maximum, or even that they are receiving the minimum. Several examples will suffice to dispel that impression. One teacher, after 25 years' teaching in Andover, is receiving \$2550. Another, after 35 years, is receiving \$2559. A third, after 11 years, is receiving \$2950. Not one of these teachers, under the salary schedule, should be receiving less than \$3250. At least four teachers in our system are receiving less than \$2000 for full time work.

"But," you say, "these examples are not indicative of the true situation. These are but a few of the teachers. How about the others?"

The answer is as significant as the examples would indicate. The average teacher in Andover has a bachelor's degree and receives (not including principals and supervisors) an average salary of \$2600 for an average teaching experience (in Andover) of 15 years!

"But," you counter, "isn't Andover paying its teachers as well as other communities of its size and relative wealth?"

You may answer your own question from sample figures below:

	Per Capita	School Cost
Town	1946-47	
Lexington	\$24.78	
Marblehead	23.99	
Reading	29.66	
Swampscott	22.65	
Andover	21.62	

The above data was computed from annual "School Returns," and the meaning is plain. Andover may be called, without exaggeration, a "left-behind" town, yet it does not stand in outlays for its schools the other communities listed above. "Yet," you say, "Andover pays better than the average Massachusetts community, doesn't it?" Data provided by the research department.

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The teacher is faced with the problem of maintaining a standard of living on a par with other professional people in the community on a salary which is below that of the average semi-skilled or skilled laborer in this state as indicated in repeated surveys by the Mass. Dept. of Labor. Is it any wonder that he must seek income from some other source, if he is to continue in the teaching profession? Is it any wonder that often he feels discouraged, and wonders if perhaps he should give up the fight and go into some other line of work which will provide him and his family with a decent standard of living more closely in alignment with his training, experience and ability.

Under conditions such as these, we are asking our teachers to educate our children. We entrust these children to them for twelve years

ment of the Massachusetts Teachers' Federation shows that in towns of over 9,000 population on October 1, 1947, Andover is below average in every school except the high school, where it is just average. An average salary in these towns is \$2800 as compared with Andover's \$2600.

"Teachers have summers off," you say. "They can work then, and make up the difference in their pay." You are right, except that a better way to say it would be: "They must work then to make up the difference." Teaching requires training and skill; it should be a process of continuous professional advancement of the teacher. How many of our teachers are sufficiently well-paid to broaden their experience and their outlook by summer travel and summer courses in college? Are the colleges wrong in providing sabbatical leaves of one year with pay every seven or 10 years for their teachers? Should not we provide at least the opportunity for summer enrichment of our teachers' knowledge?

Teachers are leaving the profession in droves. "It can't happen here," you say. No? We lost five last year to other communities or other professions. And the tragic part of it is that we must compete for replacements with all these other towns whose superintendents in over half of them are able to offer more in the way of salary inducements than our own. Is our superintendent to say "I can only offer you \$200 less than these other communities, but Andover is a better place to live in?" We know it is, but do they? Are we to witness as a result of our own conservative worries over our present extremely reasonable tax rate a gradual deterioration of our school system? Are we to force, through a low teacher's salary policy, the hiring of teachers with below average ability?

Raises for our teachers since war broke out have closely followed those of other town employees, both in timing and in amount. These raises whether so considered or not, have amounted to cost-of-living adjustments. They have in no way contributed to raising the teachers' pay to one commensurate with the value of his profession or his place in the community.

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freshmen and defeated them with a score of 25-21. Our boys waited until almost the third quarter before they took the lead.

On Thursday the boys played North Reading here and pegged up another victory. The score was 28-16 and Louis Tibbert was the high scorer for the day.

Girls Varsity Basketball
On Thursday the girls team played North Reading here. The score was 26-10 in favor of North Reading. The girls played a very good game and put up a good fight but in spite of all, they did not win.

JUNIOR HIGH

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Art

The Cathedral windows which have been the theme in the seventh grade classes in art throughout this term, are nearing completion.

Classes have been using drawing boards for the first time and have been working on charcoal paper with both India ink and transparent water colors as media. Some students have completed the assignments. They have created a window twenty inches by twenty-four inches with five or more figures, grouped to form a center of interest, carefully drawn, and colored in analogous and complementary color schemes. Many of the windows are surprisingly beautiful in design and color.

The following students have grouped the figures in their windows very nicely: Joan Conybear, Jack Hill, David Wilkinson, Emery Le Tourneau, Ruth Morgan, Bobby Vaughan, Elizabeth Hatton, Julian Hill, Dorothy Dunn, Arianna Shaw, George Gilman, Marlon Glennie, Jane McAskill, Edwin Brogan, David Lloyd, Carolyn Blake, Ruth Sullivan, Billy Dunlavy, Helen Gidden, Sidney Tavern, Sylvia Carter, Ariene Pariseau, Jack Rose, Barbara White, Anna McFarlane, Claire Van Coppenolle, George Finger, Janet Svenson, Sara Southwick, Gerald Oxley, Shirley Murray, Frederick Sharp.

Boys Varsity Sports

The basketball team went to Salem, N. H. Wednesday for a game with the Woodbury High

of their lives, and ask them to indoctrinate them with knowledge, love of country, respect for right, and democratic ideals. In return for this, we offer them an average salary for an average 15 years of experience which is a paltry \$200 above the minimum salary in nearby New York state.

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Pupils Deposit \$2119 In School Savings Plan

Savings of \$2,119.13 have been deposited in five weeks by pupils of our elementary schools, according to a report which Supt. Kenneth L. Sherman has received from the Andover Savings bank.

The new school savings program, started January 20 of this year, finds that there are 585 depositors out of the approximate enrollment of 800 pupils in the elementary grades. The weekly deposit averages \$425, which is looked upon as an outstanding record, considering that the plan of savings is quite new to most of the pupils.

Jack Sherman Entrant In Oratorical Contest

Jack Sherman will be the Punchard High school entrant in the Essex County finals of the 11th annual American Legion high school oratorical contest to be held Sunday, February 29, in the Oliver school hall, Lawrence.

The son of Superintendent of Schools and Mrs. Kenneth L. Sherman of 7 Locke street, Jack will speak on "The History of the American Constitution." He is a senior at Punchard High school, and is chairman of his class dramatic committee. Last summer he was Punchard's delegate to the Legion's Massachusetts Boys' State, where he was elected auditor. He recently won the Goldsmith prize speaking contest at Punchard.

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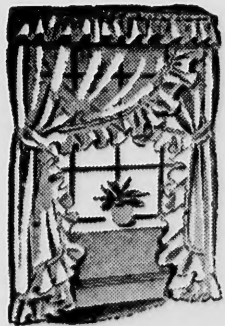
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Several students of Merrimack College have been selected as ticket takers and ushers for the Archbishop's Lecture this Sunday afternoon in St. Mary's Auditorium, Lawrence. They will serve as follows: Julius Carlucci, of New Brunswick, N. J., will be in the ticket window. Thomas Gosselin and Domenick Nicetta, both of North Andover will receive tickets at the door. Ushers will be Joseph Caffrey, Alfred Roderiques, Frank Palmisano and Laurence Fox of Lawrence; Alfred Larose and James Angelo of Lowell; William Mitchell of Arlington; and William Riley of Haverhill.

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Red Cross Aided Maine Fire Victims

Because of their proximity to Andover, whose residents turned out to fight local blazes in several areas, the Maine forest fires of last October are of particular interest. Even before the fires had razed the villages of Brownfield, East Brownfield and Newfield, the Red Cross had moved into the York County area, and was providing emergency relief, first aid, and hot food for fire fighters and was organizing and dispatching teams to relieve stricken areas.

While the embers of these destructive fires, the worst in New England history, were still smoldering, the Red Cross had stepped in to provide funds to replace burned homes, barns and buildings, essential tools and transportation facilities. A large part of the disaster appropriation of \$11,000,000 was thus employed.

Andover's Red Cross Executive committee, under the chairmanship of Roy E. Hardy, is as follows: vice-chairman, Ernest S. Young; treasurer, Philip F. Ripley; corresponding secretary, Francis P. Markey; recording secretary, Mrs. Frederick Johnson; Mrs. J. J. Taverner, C. C. Kimball and Mrs. James H. Eaton.

The committee chairmen of the Andover chapter are as follows: Junior Red Cross, Miss Nancy Hird; Fund Raising, Ernest S. Young; Home Service, Mrs. J. J. Taverner; District Nursing, Mrs. Frederick Butler; Disaster Relief, William S. Hughes, chairman, and Stafford A. Lindsay and Alan F. Dunlop, vice-chairmen; First Aid, Dr. Charles Currier; Life Saving and Water Safety, Francis P. Markey; Nutrition, Miss Hope Coolidge; Blood Donor, Mrs. C. C. Kimball; Home Nursing, Mrs. Dina G. Valz; Publicity, Joseph Staples; Community Service, Mrs. Winsor Gale; Volunteer Services Chairman, Mrs. James H. Eaton; secretary, Mrs. C. Edward Buchan; Production, Mrs. Joseph A. Rand; H. S. corps, Mrs. Foster C. Barnard; Motor corps, Mrs. Leon A. Field; Canteen, Mrs. C. Dennett McDuffie, Gray Ladies, Mrs. Leon A. Field; Arts and Skills, Mrs. E. Francis Leland.

VALENTINE PARTY

The dancing class sponsored by the Andover Central P.T.A. for the second and third grade pupils, enjoyed a Valentine party Friday afternoon, February 13, in the High school gymnasium.

The party was attended by 72 pupils. Favors were exchanged and prizes awarded. Pictures were taken of the various groups and prints may be purchased for 10 cents each at the next dancing class to be held Friday, February 20.

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Miss Marjorie Stearns, of Boston, will-known landscape architect, will give a talk on "Basic Perennials" at the monthly meeting of the club at the Andover Inn, 10 a. m. March 2nd. Mrs. Guy Howe, president, presiding. Mrs. Dean K. Webster, Jr., chairman of the hospitality committee, will serve coffee.

Seeds of Peace

In the drive for seeds to help feed starving Europe, which the National Council of State Garden Clubs is sponsoring, the horticultural committee of the Massachusetts Federation will handle the project for the clubs of the state.

The plan calls for the sending of garden units each costing only 50 cents, will contain 13 kinds of vegetable seeds, enough to plant 600 square feet of land and to feed a family of five. With each unit a packet of flower seeds will be donated for uplift. Each unit will contain planting instructions in the language of the recipients and will explain that this is a gift from the people of America.

Contributions will go out from January 1st to April 1st. Local contributions will be accepted, and any information desired will be gladly given by Mrs. Charles W. Arnold, 88 Central street. Any member or non-member of the club may make a personal donation. Donations should be marked "Seeds of Peace."

Tulip Time in Boston

Spring in all its glory will arrive in Boston March 15th, with the opening of the 77th Spring Flower Show at Mechanics Building, sponsored by the Massachusetts Horticultural Society, and will continue through the 20th. Among the many interesting features will be the Dutch Village with its thousands of tulips mirrored in a canal.

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A girl February 15 at the Lawrence General hospital to Mr. and Mrs. George Quisenberry, 4 Harding street. The mother is the former Isabelle White.

A girl February 20 at Lawrence General hospital to Mr. and Mrs. James Carmichael, 8 Burnham road. The mother is the former Thelma Fairweather.

A girl February 21 at the Lawrence General hospital to Mr. and Mrs. John Minihan, 5 Elm court. The mother is the former Margaret Carroll.

A boy February 22 at the Lawrence General hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Weston D. Eastman, 20 William street. The mother is the former Harriet Riding.

A son February 16 at Lawrence General hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Julius Cesarini, 104 Main street. The mother is the former Alda Grieco.

A boy February 24 in Lawrence General hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brennan, 7 Elm court. The mother is the former Helen Smith.

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John W. Kimball of 50 School street was elected to serve in 1948 as circulation manager of the Phillipian, Phillips Academy student newspaper, at a recent meeting of the editorial and business boards.

Others elected were: editor-in-chief, Barry C. Phelps, Gross Pointe Farms, Mich.; assistant editor, Donald J. Sutherland, Manhattan, L. I., N. Y.; managing editor, Frank S. Jewett, Southport, Conn.; feature editor, Walter J. Kalne, Bellevue, Ohio; sports editor, Paul Le N. Nash, Rhinebeck, N. Y.; assignment editor, Paul A. Brodwin, Jr., Arlington Heights, Ill.; business and advertising manager, Philip Levin, Newton; and assistant circulation manager, Jerrold A. Weller, Leominster.

Legal Notices

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PROBATE COURT

Essex, ss. To all persons interested in the estate of Ruth F. McNamara, of Andover in said County, an insane person.

The guardian of said ward has presented for allowance her second and third accounts for allowance.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Salem before ten o'clock of the forenoon on the fifteenth day of March 1948, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John V. Phelan, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this nineteenth day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight.

RICHARD J. WHITE, JR., Register of the Office of the Probate Court, Andover, Mass. (F26, M1)

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PROBATE COURT

Essex, ss. To all persons interested in the estate of John I. Nourse, late of Andover in said County, gentleman, deceased, for the benefit of Mary C. T. Nourse, now deceased, and others.

A petition has been presented to said Court, praying that Walter E. Mondale, of Andover in said County, be appointed trustee of said estate. (Granville K. Callahan, former trustee, having deceased). If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Salem before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the first day of March 1948, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John V. Phelan, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this eighteenth day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight.

RICHARD J. WHITE, JR., Register of the Office of the Probate Court, Andover, Mass. (F26, M1)

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Witness, John V. Phelan, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this eighteenth day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight.

RICHARD J. WHITE, JR., Register of the Office of the Probate Court, Andover, Mass. (F26, M1)

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PROBATE COURT

Essex, ss. To all persons interested in the estate of Daniel Fitzpatrick, late of Andover in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court, for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased, by Susan Carmichael of Andover in the County of New Haven, State of Connecticut, praying that she be appointed executrix thereof without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Lawrence before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the eighth day of March 1948, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John V. Phelan, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this sixteenth day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight.

RICHARD J. WHITE, JR., Register of the Office of the Probate Court, Andover, Mass. (19, 26, Mar. 4, 11)

ANDOVER SAVINGS BANK

The following pass books issued by Andover Savings Bank have been reported as lost and are hereby declared void. Public notice of application is hereby given, in accordance with Section 40, Chapter 590, of the laws of 1908.

Book No. 54,582.
Book No. 43,050.
Payment has been stopped.
LOUIS S. FINGER, Treasurer. (12, 13)

BALLARD

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Whist Party Held

Mrs. Dean Ward was the winner of the door prize given at the whist party held Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Sparks for the benefit of the basketball team of the United Congregational church.

Mrs. Gallagher of Andover was the winner of the special prize while the following won prizes: high scores: Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Fred Buckley, Mrs. Henry Meyer, Mrs. Foster Matthews, Mrs. Howard Colbath, Mrs. Joseph Boule, Mrs. Dean Ward, Mrs. John Dupee, Mrs. Frank Green, Mrs. Mina K. Bee, Mrs. Robert Mitchell and Mrs. Jean Schofield.

P. T. A. Date Changed

The meeting of the Ballard P. T. A. will not be held on the regular meeting night because of the school vacation. It will be held March 4 in Bradlee school.

Persons attending last year's "Timers' Night" are eagerly looking forward to another delightful evening.

Personals

James O'Brien and Samuel L. spent the weekend skiing in Acacia, N. H.

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P. T. A. Date Changed

The meeting of the Ballardvale P. T. A. will not be held on the regular meeting night because of the school vacation. It will be held March 4 in Bradlee school and will be "Old Timers' Night." All persons attending last year's "Old Timers' Night" are eagerly looking forward to another delightful evening.

Personals

James O'Brien and Samuel Lowe spent the weekend skiing at Laconia, N. H.

Robert Mitchell of Tewksbury street, an employee of the Boston and Maine railroad, is enjoying his annual vacation.

Word has been received from Mr. and Mrs. Willard Myers, formerly of Ballardvale, who are now visiting relatives in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Elwin Matthews spent the holiday weekend in New York City.

James MacMillan, fire control, 3rd class, spent his leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chester A. MacMillan of River street.

Robert Simon of Shawsheen, formerly of the Vale, visited friends in town over the weekend. Robert is a third mate in the Merchant Marine.

Choir rehearsal for members of the Union Congregational Church choir will be held Friday evening

at the home of the director, Miss Margaret Hadley.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bruce of Center street visited Mr. and Mrs. McGraw of Framingham over the weekend.

Mrs. D. M. Laffin of Andover street spent the holiday weekend visiting her sister, Mrs. Miles Parker of North Andover.

Miss Barbara Ellis, Miss Evelyn Hall and Ernest Hall have returned from a trip to Florida, where they visited Miami, Lake Placid and other points of interest.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Spardoni and children of Natick, Conn., visited Mrs. Mina Kibbee of Clark road recently.

BIRTH

A boy February 17 in Lawrence General hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sutton, 119 Chestnut street. The mother is the former Bonnie Cooper.

PROBATE COURT

Under the terms of the will of William M. Clark, who died February 9, Mrs. Sadie P. Sullivan of 9 Red Spring road, with whom he lived for three and a half years before his death, was named residuary legatee of his estate, the value of which was not disclosed. "In consideration of her kindness and care to me for several years."

The will, signed August 23, 1947, was filed in Probate court here Wednesday. Fred E. Cheever was named executor.

The will contained the following monetary bequests: \$500 to Ethel Clark of Ontario, Calif., a niece; \$500 to John Clark of Ontario, Calif., a nephew; \$500 to Emma B. Gorrie of Cranston, R. I.; \$500 to John Skeen of Angus, Scotland, a nephew; and \$200 to Ellen Anderson "who has been a kind and thoughtful neighbor."

Thaw Ends Coasting; Many Signs Damaged

Thawing weather and the sanding of streets put an end, at least temporarily, to coasting on numerous streets in town that had been set aside for that purpose.

During the weeks that sliding was enjoyed, many of the signs designating the streets were broken, wooden horses damaged, and lanterns missed, causing a loss of about \$75 to the police department, Chief George A. Dane estimates.

The signs, printed on heavy cardboard and mounted on wooden frames, cost \$1.35 each. They were the targets of many a snowball and had to be replaced frequently.

The police department was willing at all times to cooperate with the youngsters, sending out an officer in a cruiser each day to set out the signs, and again at night to pick them up, and realize that it was only a few who were causing the damage.

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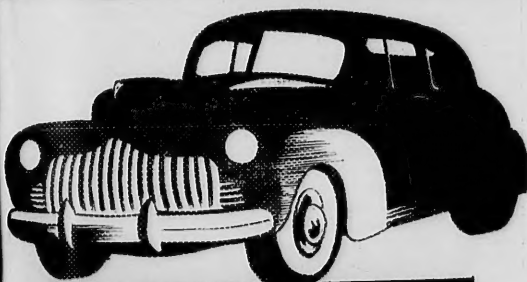
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It will put the firemen on a more equal work basis with other departments throughout our town, thus increasing the morale of the firemen.

It will give the men more time to spend with their families which makes this humane adjustment the more worthy of a "YES" vote.

It will provide permanent jobs for veterans who qualify through a civil service examination. This examination is open to men between the ages of twenty-one and thirty-five years. If a veteran was thirty-five at the time of his entrance into the armed forces he is still eligible to take this examination.

The fire department is not only servicing the townspeople by their duties of extinguishing fires alone, but they operate the town's ambulance service, a service of which the town can well be proud. The men operate all equipment dealing with the saving of life and property such as inhalators, oxygen tent, rescue boats and underwater lights, not to mention all the provided fire-fighting equipment, the up-keep of which is a part of the work few people realize.

All repairs necessary within the department are taken upon by the men also, which alone is a great saving to the town when other departments (fire) near-by are not

Retires From Service With Arlington Mills

Harry A. Wright of 85 Shaw-sheen road, has resigned as assistant treasurer of the Arlington Mills, Lawrence, after service with the textile plant that began more than 46 years ago.

Mr. Wright, who started as office boy in the Boston office, was born in Billerica, graduated from the Howe school in that town and from Bryant & Stratton Business college. He moved to Andover in 1914 when the treasurer's office, with which he was then connected as bookkeeper, was moved to Lawrence.

The same year he became clerk and was also named manager of the treasurer's office, a position he held at the time of his retirement in addition to the office of assistant treasurer, to which he had been appointed in 1944.

Mr. Wright is treasurer of the West Parish church and of West Parish cemetery, a past master of Andover Grange, P. of H., and its treasurer since 1925.

allowed to make repairs or are not as fortunate in having the qualified men to do so.

The 48-hour week is endorsed by the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Veterans of World War 2, Disabled American Veterans, United Rubber Workers of America (Tyer Rubber Co., C.I.O.), Central Labor Union, A.F.L., Textile Workers, Shawshien Mill, Greater Lawrence Joint Board Textile Workers Union of America, C.I.O., and other civic and labor organizations including the Fire Fighters Local (Law.) 146.

Says Action on Raise For Teachers Ill-Advised

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crease for non-teaching employees. These increases would take effect April 1, 1948 and would be for one year. They would involve an addition to the school department budget of \$16,454 for the balance of 1948 and \$21,936 on the basis of a full year. The 1948 budget would be raised to \$284,733.

The sub-committee of the Taxpayers' Association, appointed to consider the school department budget, believes that the action of both the teachers and the school committee is ill-advised. The action of the teachers is unfortunate in that they did not present their request until after the budget had been completed and after it had received the approval of the finance committee and our association. While their action was undoubtedly influenced by the proposal of a "cost of living" bonus of \$4.00 a week for other town employees, it is unfortunate that their petition did not follow the same pattern as for the others and therefore appears to request preferential treatment. Although the school committee itself in a measure is the victim of circumstances, it is placed in the unfortunate position of seeking an addition to a budget figure which it had submitted as carefully considered and in final form.

There may be a feeling in the minds of some that our school teachers are underpaid. Undoubtedly in some instances this is true. It may be helpful, however, to present some figures as to the improvement in the salaries of Andover's teachers as a result of increases granted in the last few years. There are at present 63 full time teachers in the Andover school system. An analysis of their salaries is as follows:

2 receive \$4,000 or over
3 receive 3,650 to 3,814
16 receive 3,000 to 3,400
22 receive 2,500 to 2,980
16 receive 2,000 to 2,494
4 receive 1,800 to 1,950

The lowest paid group includes teachers only recently employed. As an indication of the improvement in salaries which has taken place, a study has been made of the percentage increase in the pay of the 39 teachers in the employ of the school department today who were in the system in 1941 (in some instances service did not begin until 1942). This study indicates that the teachers have received percentage increases as follows:

4 from 30 to 39 percent
12 from 40 to 49 percent
13 from 50 to 59 percent
4 from 60 to 69 percent
6 of 70 percent or over

The first budget prepared by the school committee contained an item of \$4,018 for increases to teachers' salaries. These represent the so-called merit increases in recognition of outside study and good work in the schools. It is understood that 51 of the teachers are to be given these increases which will amount to increases of from \$86 to \$106 on an annual basis. These merit increases will be paid in any case and will be in addition to any "cost of living" bonus which may be voted.

In view of the foregoing your sub-committee does not believe that the recently proposed addition of \$16,454 to the school budget, with an increase in the total to \$284,733 is warranted. If, however, the town should vote the proposed "cost of living" bonus to

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Town Topics

Mrs. John Colby of Taylor Hall, Hidden Field, was hostess recently to the Merrimack Valley Wheaton club for its mid-winter meeting, which was attended by the following Andover members: Mrs. J. J. Tavern, Ruth Whitehill, Mrs. Cyril Sargent, Mrs. Cleveland Gilchrist, Mrs. Arthur Howes, Barbara Loomer, Constance McCullom, Mrs. Donald Savage and Mrs. Carleton Tyler. Edward Malins, exchange master at Phillips Academy from Christ Hospital school, England, was the speaker.

An appeal to male singers to join the Andover Male Choir is being made by officers of the organization to all interested. Rehearsals are held in the music room of the Junior High school, Tuesday evenings at 7:45 o'clock. All singers are asked to join for an enjoyable and instructive evening.

Abbot Academy will receive \$5000 through the bequest made in the will of Mrs. Martha Hart Moore, who died recently in Florida. Mrs. Moore was the wife of Allen Moore, industrialist.

Plans are being made for the annual entertainment and dance of the Andover Police Relief association to be held in the Memorial auditorium April 2. Joseph O'Brien is chairman of the ticket committee, which also includes Robert Deymond, James Lynch, William Steward, Richard Caldwell and Roy Russell.

The Vocalists Sing Club will be presented in the Memorial auditorium Wednesday evening, March 3, at 8:15 by Andover chapter, 18, D. A. V., in a program of modern vocal arrangements. Irene O'Connor and Dorice Shorten of Andover are featured soloists in the entertainment.

Many local basketball enthusiasts are planning to accompany the Punchard High school team to Babylon, N. Y., Friday night to enjoy the game to be played there Saturday night.

At the next meeting of the Square and Compass club, March 12, moving pictures of the 1947 world series games and the recent Louis-Wolcott fight will be shown. Arthur W. Howes, of 42 Central street, director of music at Phillips Academy, was elected a vice-president of the Methuen Memorial Music Hall, Inc., at a recent meeting, and Representative J. Everett Collins of Summer street, director of the Andover Male choir, was added to the board of trustees. Senator Philip K. Allen and Atty. James S. Eastham are serving on the latter board.

The A. P. O. Sorority of the South church is sponsoring a spring fashion show to be presented by Michael Jay's Shop at the church vestry March 4, at 8 o'clock. Professional models will be assisted by members of the sorority in the showings. An admission will be charged.

the employees of other departments, the committee believes that the same bonus should be given to all the employees of the school department. This would mean an addition of \$13,085, or \$3,369 less than the amount recommended by the school committee, to cover the last nine months of 1948.

It may be argued that the saving of \$3,369 is comparatively small. The suggested revision, however, has the merit of obvious fairness in treating all employees in the town on an equal basis and in not singling out one group for special consideration. Furthermore, with a staggering increase in the tax rate facing the taxpayers of Andover, no proper economy should be rejected because in itself it does not bulk large.

Respectfully submitted,

Sub-Committee on the
School Department Budget
G. Carleton Kimball,
Chairman
Philip W. Thomson
Vincent Treanor

Many New Names Now on Check List

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Precinct 1—Robert M. Wood, Joan N. Bell, Warren H. Bell, Harold C. Walde, Robert H. Lowe, Arthur E. Gilman, Shirley M. Rhodes, Elizabeth W. Madison, Herbert L. Trull, Louise B. Trull, Herbert D. Stuck, Matthew A. Novak, Joan A. Hendrick, Irene H. Rand, Abbot F. Rand, Isabella T. L. Greenhow, John J. Fitzgerald, Frank J. O'Connor, Peter L. Butler, Catherine T. Hurley, John F. Nicoll, John Avery, Jr., Joseph A. Horan, Georgia W. Sanborn, Frederick G. Eldred, Bonnie L. Sutton, Helen Loux, Helen L. McCarthy, Donald B. Lawson, Marjorie L. Sargent, Genevieve E. Murray, James J. Murray, Christine M. James, Charles B. Eddy, Jr., Edwin E. Johnson, Helen M. Johnson, and Elsa A. Grant.

Precinct 2—Ruth C. Dixon, David D. MacCord, Daisy A. MacCord, Henry H. Moore, Henry E. Smith, David L. Cargill, Robert L. Ferrier, Dorice A. Parker, John L. Parker, Mary A. Hill, Mary C. Lussier, Fernald J. Lussier, Michael W. Belka, Madeline A. Belka, Miriam S. McArdle, Vincent P. Davey, Howard S. Eldredge, Dorothy V. Daly, Catherine J. McCormack, Joseph K. Eldred, Donald V. Lynch, Herbert A. Lister, John J. Jacobs, Thomas A. McKittrick, Elizabeth A. Crowley, Ralph H. Kilcup, Helena M. Socha, Agnes M. Kilcup, Charlotte W. Frye, Honora P. Casey, Constance E. Greenwood, Helen E. Koza, John B. White, Jr., Duncan M. Cairnie, Jr., Marion E. Gorrie, Dorothy E. Coombs, Donald B. Look, John C. Brennan, and Donald Hill.

Precinct 3—Donat Bolduc, Robert J. Malloux, J. William Holland, Jr., Yvette E. Skulski, Eleanor M. Turton, June H. Mosher, Alan M. Mosher, Rose M. Russo, Rose A. Innes, Carl J. Martin, Richard T. Coleman, Marion F. Coleman, Alfred Currier, Hugh MacNeill, Alfred Bell, Gordon M. Robb, Mary M. Gallahue, Eleanor M. Schaberg, Fred H. Schaberg, Ernest Turton, Anthony A. Russo, Michael J. McGuinness, Norris N. Theriault, Basil J. Heagy, Martha A. Bailey, Hartley A. Bailey, Hyman A. Sabar, Virginia M. Spencer, Ruby E. Babin, Earl A. Young, Charlotte T. Young, Joseph L. Demers, Marguerite E. Demers, Roland E. Lessard, John F. Bane, Bonnie B. Nealey, John P. Sevegny, David E. Bergeron, Cyrille E. Declercq, Dorothy Declercq, Pauline E. Toppen, Edna L. Nutton, Thomas J. Doherty, Robert M. Emmons, Harry I. Emmons, Jr., Russell F. Sheeley, Bruno Gaudet, Ann M. Goss, Dorothy R. Caspar, Frederick G. Caspar, Jane C. Lindsay, Gerald J. Winters, Marie L. Weymans, Bertha M. L. Weymans, Albert A. Weymans, George F. Jones, Ruth T. Weiner, Gertrude Quint, Frank C. Coombs, William H. Ross, Jr., and Thomas W. Gauthier.

Precinct 4—Jean Schubert, Lola S. Belding, Harwood S. Belding, Irene R. Greenwood, Carl E. Holch, Lawrence D. Bragg, Jr., Rita S. Holch, William Loosigian, Mary D. Bragg, Jennie R. Water-

WOMEN!

The Andover League of Women Voters is calling your attention to the town election Monday, March 1, and reminding you that it is not only a privilege but a duty you owe your family and your community to go to the polls on that day. The hours are 7 to 7.

man, Margaret R. Ashworth, Frank A. Ashworth, Vernon Waterman, Harry Loosigian, J. Furnari, Rose M. Furnari, Andrew W. Sequoin, Harold Lermond, Irene V. Croteau, Virginia M. Holt, Chester F. White, Jr., Ruth F. Muller, and Margaret W. Rennie.

Precinct 5—Lois C. Henderson, Evelyn J. Hall, Anita M. How George A. Hutchins, James O'Brien, John B. Moran, Theresa M. Coon, James A. Green, Abelle J. Green, Mildred P. Gault, Virginia R. Deschene, Deschene, Meredith E. Gray, Evelyn F. Scobie, Mary M. White, Arthur M. White, Arthur T. White, Charlotte L. Dufresne, Ed Weiss, Alfred E. Osgood, Catherine E. Osgood, Sarah E. Ymans, Sally F. Youmans, Charles Scobie, Frederick E. Durling, R. L. Blinn, Cora P. Blinn, Alma Hill, Ethel M. Durling, Elizabeth P. Silva, John J. Murnane, Ray Youmans, Robert J. Read, Frances A. Read.

Precinct 6—John W. McGowan, Chester T. Jenkins, Joan R. P. guson, Ida M. Goldthwaite, J. Sweeney, John Doyle, Milton Perry, Herbert D. Klein, Alexander C. Ferguson, Clyde Goldthwaite, Frederick E. T. er, Jr., Richard B. Denton, Charlotte R. Buchan, William Buchanan, Marguerite G. Greenawald, James D. Platt, Nathalie P. Elizabeth R. Winter, Albert Joseph L. Conway, Norman Stein, Roy A. Brandt, Gerald Gaudet, Frank P. Dencu, E. C. Dencu, Genevieve M. P. Irene M. Gaudet, Semah M. Charles G. Hatch, Esther M. W. cott, Wendell L. Bailey, J. Brightney, Leslie E. Pilgrim, P. Pringle, Harvey B. T. James R. McCabe, Emily D. C. C. Willis E. Hardy, W. Newcomb, Elizabeth H. Newcomb, Muriel E. Barker, Barbara Wescott, John A. Winter, J. Richard, Mary C. Torrey, S. Torrey, Florence A. John W. Pilger, and Warren Barker.

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Town Meeting To Keep Faces Budget Increases for

The town meeting next Monday night faces a budget of approximately \$1,115,800, of which the finance committee has approved appropriations of \$955,222. The amount approved exceeds the 1947 appropriations by about \$50,000, which, with the \$33,000 base for a tax rate, means a \$2. increase over the rate of last year.

The amounts approved by the finance committee do not include the teachers' salary increases recommended by the school committee, neither do they include the week "cost of living" bonus which is proposed for all town employees. The latter increase is estimated to be about \$35,000 year.

Another item which for a time loomed as a potential increase in the tax rate, was eliminated by the voters when they rejected the referendum to reduce the hours of firemen.

Increases in the department budgets this year are due in large measure to the necessary increase in the cost of supplies and materials over the prices of year ago.

3849 Cast Ballots At Town Election Only 56.4% of Voters Take Part In Ballot

Contests for four major offices at the town election plus the question of reducing the hours of firemen brought only 3849 of the town's 6823 registered voters to the polls Monday.

This was 56.4 percent of the vote, an increase over the 24 percent who went to the polls at the 1947 town election.

With 13 candidates for the contested offices to enliven the campaign and the proposed 48-hour week for firemen at issue it appeared to many political observers that a larger vote should have been recorded.

Just where the heaviest vote secured is shown in the following table of registered voters by precinct as compared with the number that went to the polls:

Precinct	Location	Reg. Voters
1	Town House	1555 10
2	Square & C.	1462 8
3	Shawshien	1423 7
4	W. Andover	672 3
5	Ballardvale	587 2
6	Penbody House	1124 5
Total		6823 38

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